

Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification - Animal Products Act 1999

Regulation and Assurance Branch, Animal and Animal Products Directorate, Ministry for Primary Industries

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BIRDOHEC.FJ 30 APRIL 2015 – DAY-OLD CHICKS AND HATCHING EGGS OF POULTRY TO FIJI

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60, section 60A, section 62(1) and section 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999 I notify the following:

- (i) the issue under section 60 of the OMAR for day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry to Fiji BIRDOHEC.FJ dated 30 April 2015;
- (ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry to Fiji;
- (iii) the revocation and replacement of the OMAR for day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry to Fiji BIRDOCEC.FIJ 18.06.11.

This notice takes effect from the 30th of April 2015.

Dated at Wellington this 29th day of April 2015.

Signed: Howard Pharo
Manager Import and Export Animals
Animal and Animal Products Directorate
Regulation and Assurance Branch
(acting under delegated authority)

2. Fiji requirements

Day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry exported from New Zealand to Fiji must be accompanied by an official assurance in the form of a completed zoosanitary certificate.

The zoosanitary certificate as specified below must be completed and certified, after due enquiry, by an Official Veterinarian of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory note: If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the day-old chicks and hatching eggs of poultry do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Commodity: DAY-OLD CHICKS AND HATCHING EGGS OF POULTRY

To: FIJI

Exporting Country: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Import Permit Number:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF DAY-OLD CHICKS / HATCHING EGGS

Species (common and scientific name)	Commodity Type (Day-old chicks or Hatching eggs)	Description / Identification	Number

Total number of day-old chicks / hatching eggs:

II: SOURCE OF DAY-OLD CHICKS / HATCHING EGGS

Name and address of exporter:

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Name, address and approval number of premises of origin ([source farm / hatchery] *):

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(* delete if not applicable)

III: DESTINATION OF DAY-OLD CHICKS / HATCHING EGGS

Name and address of consignee:

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Means and identification of transport:

Port of loading:

Date of loading:

IV: SANITARY INFORMATION

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE

I,, being an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries, certify, after due enquiry, with respect to the day-old chicks / hatching eggs described in this zoosanitary certificate, that:

1. New Zealand is free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza and Newcastle disease.
2. The day-old chicks / hatching eggs originate from parent flocks that have been kept in New Zealand since hatching.
3. The day-old chicks / hatching eggs originate from parent flocks that are free from fowl typhoid (*Salmonella Gallinarum*), Pullorum disease (*Salmonella Pullorum*) and infectious bursal disease.
4. The flocks of origin from which the day-old chicks / hatching eggs originate have not been vaccinated against the following diseases: Newcastle disease, avian influenza, infectious bursal disease, *Salmonella Pullorum* and *Salmonella Enteritidis*.
5. The day-old chicks / hatching eggs originate from parent flocks that were tested negative for *Salmonella Enteritidis* within the ninety (90) days prior to export.
6. The flocks of origin have been regularly inspected by an authorised veterinarian and found to be free from signs of infectious or contagious disease.
7. All containers and packaging used to ship the day-old chicks / hatching eggs are new.

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Signature of Official Veterinarian Official Stamp and Date
Ministry for Primary Industries

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Name and Address

NB: The Official Veterinarian must sign, date and stamp each page of the veterinary certificate using a different colour ink to the paper and the print, and, where applicable, sign, date and stamp each page of the documents (e.g. laboratory reports) that form part of the extended health certification.

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

(This is not part of the official certification)

COMMODITY: DAY-OLD CHICKS AND HATCHING EGGS OF POULTRY

COUNTRY: FIJI

NOTES: This certificate replaces the certificate dated 1 March 2013 (OMAR dated 18 June 2011). The certificate was amended to better match the Fiji import conditions. This certificate was approved by the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji on 23 April 2015.

1. An Import Permit is required (a copy is acceptable as Fiji requires the original to be retained by the importer).
2. Consignments are subject to inspection at the port of entry, the border and post-border for biosecurity purposes.
3. The Chief Executive Officer of the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji or their representative, the Biosecurity Official at the first port of entry [Suva – Phone: 3312512; Fax: 3305043 / Suva Wharf – Phone: 3312512; Fax: 3301362 / Nadi Airport – Phone: 6725092; Fax: 6720053 / Lautoka Wharf – Phone: 6661182; Fax: 6661106] must be informed at least ten (10) days prior to the arrival of a consignment so that quarantine clearance can be arranged.
4. A consignment must be accompanied by the original zoosanitary certificate, issued by a MPI Official Veterinarian.
5. A consignment must be accompanied by a valid Import Permit (copy acceptable).
6. Consignments will be returned to the country of origin (reshipped) or destroyed if original and complete certificates and documentation are not available and / or all conditions are not complied with.
7. Third country product is not allowed into Fiji.
8. The Ministry for Primary Industries approves a hatchery and its associated source flocks that supply either hatching eggs and / or day-old poultry as an export approved premises. The export approved premises approval number applies to the hatchery and associated source flocks and should be recorded in section II for day-old poultry and for hatching eggs exported directly from the source farm.
9. Identification of day-old chicks / hatching eggs: the “Description / Identification” column should be used to enter any identification information or other information that would match the consignment to import documentation.
10. Day-old chick means a live bird within the first 72 hours of life or while it has not been fed, whichever period is shorter.
11. The commodity type is indicated in the identification table.

Clauses that apply to a specific commodity only should not be deleted, unless specifically indicated.

Where a clause refers to more than one commodity type, it is taken to apply only to the commodity type indicated in the identification table.

Where a clause refers to a commodity type not indicated in the identification table and deletion is not indicated, it is taken to not apply.

12. Newcastle disease (ND) is defined by the OIE *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* as an infection of poultry caused by Newcastle disease virus (NDV), which is an avian paramyxovirus serotype 1 (APMV-1) that meets one of the following criteria for virulence:
 - a. the virus has an intracerebral pathogenicity index (ICPI) in day-old chicks (*Gallus gallus*) of 0.7 or greater; or
 - b. multiple basic amino acids have been demonstrated in the virus (either directly or by deduction) at the C-terminus of the F2 protein and phenylalanine at residue 117, which is the N-terminus of the F1 protein. The term ‘multiple basic amino acids’ refers to at least three arginine or lysine residues between residues 113 and 116. Failure to demonstrate the characteristic pattern of amino acid residues as described above would require characterisation of the isolated virus by an ICPI test.
13. Clause 6: MPI approved poultry veterinarians meet this requirement.
14. The Chief Executive Officer, Biosecurity Authority of Fiji, may at their discretion revoke the Import Permit or change the conditions of importation at any time in case of a disease outbreak or change in the status of animal disease in the country of origin.

Section 61A Animal Products Act 1999 states that ‘The Crown is not liable, and nor is the Director-General or any employee of the Ministry liable, for any loss arising through the refusal or failure of the relevant authority of an overseas market to admit export animal material or animal product to that market’.