

OVERSEAS MARKET ACCESS REQUIREMENTS NOTIFICATION - ANIMAL PRODUCTS ACT 1999

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

Ref: AE-09-HK

Date: 20 December 2015

PETANI.HK – DOGS AND CATS TO HONG KONG

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 overseas market access requirements for Dogs and Cats to Hong Kong PETANI.HK dated 20 December 2015;
- (ii) the determination under section 62(1) of the format and content of the official assurance for Dogs and Cats to Hong Kong.

This notice takes effect from the date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this day of December 2015.

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

2. Hong Kong requirements

Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Hong Kong 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.

<p>Explanatory Note: If the zoosanitary certificate is not certified then the dogs and cats do not satisfy the conditions in the notice. Likewise, if the dogs and cats do not satisfy the zoosanitary requirements in the certificate, then the certificate will not be certified.</p>



Certificate No:

NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE:

Commodity: DOGS AND CATS

To: HONG KONG

From: NEW ZEALAND

Competent Authority: MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Import Permit No:

I: IDENTIFICATION OF ANIMAL

Species	Breed and colour	Sex	Age (Year and month)	Name	Microchip number

II: ORIGIN OF ANIMAL

Name and address of owner:
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Name and address of exporter:
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Address of premises of origin of the animal:.....
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III: DESTINATION OF ANIMAL

Expected date animal is to be exported:

Name and address of consignee:
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Means and identification of transport:

IV: HEALTH INFORMATION

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE

I,....., being an Official Veterinarian of the New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries certify, after due enquiry and inspection, with respect to the animal identified in this Zoosanitary Certificate that:

1. In the case of dogs and cats:

- 1.1 No case of rabies has ever occurred in New Zealand.
- 1.2 The animal is free of any quarantine restrictions imposed by the New Zealand government authority.
- 1.3 I have scanned and confirmed the microchip number to be correct.
- 1.4 [The cat or dog has been continuously resident in New Zealand during the 180 days prior to the scheduled date of export or since birth]*

OR

[Has been continuously resident in New Zealand during the entire period since the animal was directly imported to New Zealand from Hong Kong]*

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- 1.5 Is not less than 84 days of age at the date of shipment
- 1.6 Is either not pregnant or less than four (4) weeks pregnant at the scheduled date of export
- 1.7 Has been examined and found to be free from ectoparasites and clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease and is fit to travel to Hong Kong.

2. In the case of a cat:

- 2.1 In the case of a Bengal cat, documentation certifying that the cat is of 5th or above 5th generation of domestic ancestry has been attached.
- 2.2 The cat has been vaccinated not less than fourteen (14) days and not more than one (1) year before the scheduled date of export against:

feline panleucopenia (infectious enteritis) and feline respiratory disease complex (cat flu).

Date of vaccination:

Vaccine used:

3. In the case of a dog:

3.1 The dog does not belong to any of the following dog breeds:
Pit Bull Terrier, Japanese Tosa, Dogo Argentino, Fila Brasileiro or their crossbreeds.

3.2 In the case of a Staffordshire Bull Terrier, the dog must be accompanied with a statutory declaration attesting to the breed of the dog.

3.3 The dog has been vaccinated not less than fourteen (14) days and not more than one (1) year before the scheduled date of export against:

canine distemper, canine parvovirus, and infectious canine hepatitis.

Date of vaccination:

Vaccine used:

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Signature of Official Veterinarian
New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries

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Official Stamp and Date

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Name and address

Note: Government Official Veterinarian’s signature, official stamp and date to be applied to all pages of certificate and, where applicable, all documents (e.g. copy of vaccination records) that form part of the extended health certification.

EXPORT CERTIFICATION

(This is not part of the official certification)

COMMODITY: DOGS AND CATS

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION: HONG KONG

NOTES

1. This certificate replaces the previous one dated 13 September 2013 and has been amended for the minimum age of dogs and cats to be exported to Hong Kong to be at least 84 days of age rather than at least 90 days of age.
2. An Import Permit is required and can be obtained from:

Agricultural, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD)
Counter No. 10, 5/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices
303 Cheung Sha Wan Road
Kowloon
HONG KONG

The application form can be downloaded from www.afcd.gov.hk.
3. Import Permits are valid for six (6) months and for one (1) consignment only.
4. The name of the consignee on this certificate must match that stated on the Hong Kong Import Permit.
5. This certificate is valid for fourteen (14) days from the date of the Official Veterinarian's signature.
6. A separate veterinary certificate is required for each individual animal.
7. A copy of the vaccination records must be attached to the certificate. The Official Veterinarian must stamp, sign and date all supporting documentation added to the certificate.
8. The microchip number must be recorded on all vaccination and treatment records, laboratory results and certification (where applicable). Vaccine used (2.2 and 3.3 on the Official Certification) should list manufacturer and type.
9. The animals must be permanently identified with a microchip, preferably an AVID encrypted microchip, in the format of AVID*XXX*XXX*XXX. Dogs at five (5) months old or above identified by other ISO compliant microchips will be re-chipped on entry to Hong Kong. If required, the owner must supply a reader so the microchip can be verified.
10. The animals do not have to be vaccinated against rabies before shipment. However under Hong Kong law any dog at or over five (5) months of age must be licensed on arrival and a condition for licensing is that they are vaccinated against rabies. Hence dogs at or over five (5) months of age will be vaccinated upon arrival in Hong Kong.
11. Animals transhipping Hong Kong (involving a change of airport or mode of transport in Hong Kong) require an Import Permit. If the animal remains in the same aircraft or vessel, an Import Permit is not required. However, the requirements imposed by the destination country must be complied with.

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.'