

# **Overseas Market Access Requirements Notification – Animal Products Act 1999 – Standards, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry New Zealand**

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## **OMAR B BIRAVIEC.MAL 11.04.11 – GAME / PET BIRDS TO MALAYSIA**

### **1. Statutory authority**

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999:

(i) I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled game / pet birds to Malaysia.

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011.

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Standards Branch  
Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry  
(pursuant to delegated authority)

### **2. Malaysia Requirements**

Game / pet birds exported from New Zealand to Malaysia must comply with the import requirements of Malaysia listed in this notice as follows:

2.1 An Official Veterinarian authorised by the New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, must certify, after due enquiry, the following:

2.1.1 The bird(s) has been continuously resident in New Zealand for the last two (2) months, and originated from premises under the close supervision and regular monitoring of an Official Veterinarian for the six (6) months preceding the export of the birds to Malaysia.

2.1.2 Within thirty (30) days immediately preceding the date of export, at least 10% of the birds from the flock of origin were tested with a negative result, for the following diseases:

2.1.2.1 Newcastle disease (test type and date to be listed)

2.1.2.2 Avian Influenza (test type and date to be listed)

2.1.3 The bird(s) have not been vaccinated against Newcastle disease, avian influenza or Marek's disease.

2.1.4 There has been no clinical or serological evidence of the following diseases detected on the premises or flock of origin of the birds, or reported within an area of 20km radius surrounding the premises of origin in the six (6) months immediately preceding export:

Velogenic Newcastle Disease  
Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza  
Fowl Pox  
Fowl Cholera  
Pullorum Disease  
Infectious Coryza  
Psittacosis  
Ornithosis

2.1.5 Within forty-eight (48) hours immediately preceding the export, the bird(s) destined for export to Malaysia have been treated with an approved anthelmintic and antibiotic and showed no signs of infectious or contagious disease. (name of product, active ingredient and date treated to be listed for both anthelmintic and antibiotic)

2.1.6 The container/cage used to transport the bird(s) for export to Malaysia is either new or has been cleaned and disinfected.

2.1.7 The container/cage used to transport the bird(s) for export to Malaysia was sealed immediately prior to departure with an official MAF seal. (date, time container/cage sealed and seal number to be listed)

### **3. Definitions**

For the purposes of this document:

Any term or expression that is defined in the Animal Products Act 1999 and used, but not defined in this document, has the same meaning as in this Act.

#### ***Explanatory note***

*This OMAR is based on the new export certificate for game / pet birds to Malaysia, dated 11 April 2011.*

**This is a new OMAR. This OMAR is based on import conditions – Conditions for the importation of game / pet birds into Malaysia, supplied by The Department of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agriculture Malaysia on the 11th of April 2011. The certificate was approved by the Malaysian Competent Authority in an email dated 26 April 2011.**

1. An Import Permit is required. Please contact the Veterinary Officer of the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia.
2. Clause 2.1.2 requires testing for Newcastle disease and Avian Influenza. These should be carried out in accordance with one of the following methods:  
Newcastle disease by ELISA or H.I. test or virus isolation  
Avian Influenza by ELISA or AGPT or virus isolation.
3. The importer/exporter or their agent(s) must inform the respective State Veterinary Office where the import consignment of game / pet birds is to be landed or at least the quarantine officer at the prescribed landing place airport or port of disembarkation of the arrival of the respective consignment. The notice on flight details must be provided at least 48 hours before the arrival of the consignment in Malaysia.
4. The bird(s) for export to Malaysia are being transported by aircraft or vessel direct from the port of embarkation in New Zealand to the prescribed landing place (airport or port) of disembarkation in Malaysia.
5. Upon arrival in Malaysia, all official documents accompanying the consignment of birds must be surrendered to the authorised officer/quarantine officer of the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia at the prescribed landing place (airport or port) in Malaysia.
6. All game / pet birds imported into Malaysia are subjected to quarantine. Please refer to the import permit for quarantine requirements on arrival in Malaysia.
7. In most cases approval must be first obtained from the Wildlife Department, Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment Malaysia for the importation of endangered species of game / pet birds into Malaysia. A CITES Certificate must be presented to the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia for the application of import or export license.
8. The Director General of Veterinary Services Malaysia reserves the right to review any conditions stipulated herein or to impose additional rules or regulations pertaining to the importation of game / pet birds into Malaysia.

**Section 61.A of the Animal Products Amendments Act 2005 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.'**