

**OVERSEAS MARKET ACCESS REQUIREMENTS NOTIFICATION -
ANIMAL PRODUCTS ACT 1999 – IMPORT AND EXPORT
STANDARDS, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY NEW
ZEALAND**

Ref: AE-MX-09L

Date: 2 June 2011

OMAR B DOMANIEC.MEX 02.06.11 – DOGS AND CATS to MEXICO

1. Statutory authority

Pursuant to section 60 of the Animal Products Act 1999:

i) I notify the following overseas market access requirements, entitled dogs and cats to Mexico

This notice takes effect from date of signing.

Dated at Wellington this 12th day of July 2011.

Signed: Matthew Stone BVSc MVS MACVSc
Group Manager
Animal Imports and Exports
Import Export Directorate
Standards Branch
Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
(pursuant to delegated authority)

2. Mexico requirements

Dogs and cats exported from New Zealand to Mexico must comply with the import regulations of Mexico 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 New Zealand is officially free from rabies.

2.1.2 The animal(s) was vaccinated against rabies. Vaccine, date given and validity to be recorded on the export certificate.

2.1.3 The animal(s) received treatment effective against internal and external parasites prior to the scheduled date of departure.

2.1.4 The animal(s) has been examined and found to be free of clinical signs of disease, fit to travel and free from ectoparasites.

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

These overseas market access requirements are based on the new export certificate for the exportation of dogs and cats to Mexico, dated 2 June 2011.

**Additional Information for OMAR Notification: DOMANIEC.MEX
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1. This OMAR is based on the new certificate based on 'import animal health requirements' received from SENASICA in May 2011. It was approved by SENASICA on 24th June 2011.
2. An Import Permit is not required.
3. Clause 2.1.2 of this OMAR: animals under three (3) months of age are exempt from the requirement to be vaccinated for rabies.
4. The animal(s) will be inspected by the Official Veterinary Doctor for Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries Health verifying that there is no evidence of ectoparasites, otherwise a particular veterinarian chosen by the owner will apply the prescribed treatment, at the owner's cost.
5. The Official Veterinary Doctor for Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries Health will disinfect the animals' cage which must be presented clean.
6. Beds and other similar materials with the pets are not allowed. Only a portion of balanced food for the day of arrival is allowed.
7. The Zoosanitary Certificate is only valid for ten (10) days once issued. In case the Zoosanitary Certificate was issued more than ten (10) days prior to export, the Official Veterinary Doctor for Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries Health will assess the health condition of the animal and, if necessary, a private veterinary doctor chosen by the owner will have to certify health conditions and apply the corresponding treatments, at the owner's cost.

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'