

IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD FOR THE IMPORTATION BY HEINZ WATTIE'S AUSTRALASIA OF FROZEN OR CHILLED MEAT EXTRACTS INTO NEW ZEALAND FROM JAPAN

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USER GUIDE

The information in a MAF animal product import health standard is presented in numerically ordered sections with descriptive titles. Sections are grouped into one of four parts, designated alphabetically.

Part A. GENERAL INFORMATION contains sections of general interest, including those relating to the legal basis for MAF import health standards and the general responsibilities of importers of animal products.

Part B. IMPORTATION PROCEDURE contains sections that outline the requirements to be met prior to and during importation. Whether a permit to import is required to be obtained prior to importation is noted, as are conditions of eligibility, transport and general conditions relating to documentation accompanying the consignment.

Part C. CLEARANCE PROCEDURE contains sections describing the requirements to be met at the New Zealand border and, if necessary, in a transitional facility in New Zealand.

Part D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION contains model health certification that must accompany the consignment to New Zealand.

PART A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1 IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

- 1.1 Pursuant to section 22 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, this document is the import health standard for the importation by Heinz Wattie's Australasia of frozen or chilled meat extracts into New Zealand from Japan.
- 1.2 Obtaining biosecurity clearance or biosecurity direction for each consignment imported into New Zealand from Japan is dependent upon the consignment meeting the requirements of this import health standard.

- 1.3 This import health standard may be reviewed, amended or revoked if there are changes in New Zealand's import policy or the animal health status of the originating country, or for any other lawful reason, at the discretion of the Director Animal Biosecurity.

2 IMPORTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 The importer must obtain a permit to import frozen or chilled chicken meat extracts prior to proceeding with importation (See PART B. IMPORTATION PROCEDURE).
- 2.2 A permit to import is not required for the importation of frozen or chilled beef or pork meat extracts.
- 2.3 The costs to MAF in performing functions relating to the importation of frozen or chilled chicken meat extracts to a transitional facility shall be recovered in accordance with the Biosecurity Act and any regulations made under that Act.
- 2.4 All costs involved with documentation, transport, storage and obtaining a biosecurity clearance or biosecurity direction shall be borne by the importer or agent.
- 2.5 Please note that the New Zealand Ministry of Health has introduced restrictions on the importation of beef products from certain countries including Japan. As a result, it is presently not possible to import beef and beef products from Japan unless they comply with certain conditions. Importers are advised to contact the Ministry of Health for details of the restrictions.

3 DEFINITION OF TERMS

Biosecurity Direction

Direction or authorisation given by an Inspector for uncleared goods to proceed to a transitional facility.

Director Animal Biosecurity

The Director Animal Biosecurity, New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, or any person who for the time being may lawfully exercise and perform the power and functions of the Director Animal Biosecurity.

Equivalence

Acceptance by MAF that the circumstances relating to the importation of a consignment are such that the health status of the consignment is equivalent to the health status of a consignment that complies with the requirements of the import health standard.

Inspector

As defined by the Biosecurity Act 1993.

MAF

The New Zealand Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

Sealed Packaging

The packaging is impervious and prevents leakage of the contents. The exporter/importer shall ensure that the products have been sealed into packaging that will ensure that the contents are confined securely throughout transportation to the transitional facility.

Transitional Facility

As defined by the Biosecurity Act 1993.

4 EQUIVALENCE

- 4.1 It is expected that the animal product will meet the conditions of this import health standard in every respect. If the products do not comply with the requirements, an application for equivalence may be submitted to MAF for consideration. Detailed information supporting the application for equivalence must be forwarded to MAF for a decision.

PART B. IMPORTATION PROCEDURE

5 PERMIT TO IMPORT

- 5.1 A permit to import is required for all consignments of frozen or chilled chicken meat extracts imported into New Zealand from Japan. Application for a permit to import shall be made in writing to The Director Animal Biosecurity, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand.
- 5.1.1 An application for a permit to import shall provide the following information:
- (i) name and address of importer; and
 - (ii) name and address of the registered TRANSITIONAL FACILITY to which the consignment is to proceed following importation.
- 5.1.2 A permit to import will be granted for multiple consignments over a 12 month period.
- 5.2 A permit to import is not required for consignments of frozen or chilled pork or beef meat extracts imported into New Zealand from Japan.

6 ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1 The products shall be commercially packed and identifiable as meat extracts originating from Japan.
- 6.2 The products must be contained in sealed packaging on arrival.
- 6.3 The following frozen or chilled meat extracts may be imported under this import health standard:

BEEF: EXTRACTS, BOUILLONS, OILS, PASTES

PORK: EXTRACTS, BOUILLONS, OILS, PASTES

Chicken: extracts, bouillons, oils, pastes

7 DOCUMENTATION ACCOMPANYING THE CONSIGNMENT

- 7.1 A copy of the permit to import and the import health standard, together with all the required information and ORIGINAL Health Certificate, which must be in an English or bilingual (Japanese/English) form, must be presented at the New Zealand border to enable a biosecurity direction/biosecurity clearance to be given for the consignment.

PART C. CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

8 BIOSECURITY CLEARANCE (CHICKEN MEAT EXTRACTS)

- 8.1 Upon arrival in New Zealand the documentation accompanying the consignment shall be inspected by an Inspector at the port of arrival. The Inspector may also inspect the consignment, or a sample of the consignment.
- 8.2 Providing that the documentation meets all requirements noted under PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION and the consignment meets the conditions of section 6. ELIGIBILITY, a biosecurity direction shall be issued by an Inspector under section 25 of the Biosecurity Act 1993 authorising the consignment to move to the transitional facility named in the permit to import.
- 8.2 The consignment shall proceed to a transitional facility registered according to *MAF Regulatory Authority Standard 154.02.18 Transitional Facilities for Animal Products*
- 8.3 The chicken meat extracts must be EITHER
 - 8.3.1 further processed into products destined for re-export to Japan
 - OR
 - 8.3.2 used for evaluation purposes
- 8.4 The chicken meat extracts may be stored or kept in the transitional facility for up

to 6 months after arrival in New Zealand. After 6 months, packaging materials and any product that is not processed and re-exported or residual product resulting from evaluation must be destroyed by incineration on the premises or under the supervision of the MAF Quarantine Service at an approved site for incineration of risk material.

- 8.5 The chicken meat extracts must be re-exported. They are not eligible for biosecurity clearance.

9 BIOSECURITY CLEARANCE (BEEF AND PORK MEAT EXTRACTS)

- 9.1 Upon arrival in New Zealand the documentation accompanying the consignment shall be inspected by an Inspector at the port of arrival. The Inspector may also inspect the consignment, or a sample of the consignment.
- 9.2 Providing that the documentation meets all requirements noted under PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION and the consignment meets the conditions of section 6. ELIGIBILITY, the consignment will, subject to sections 27 and 28 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, be given a biosecurity clearance pursuant to section 26 of the Biosecurity Act 1993.

PART D. ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATION

10 NEGOTIATED EXPORT CERTIFICATION

10.1 MODEL ZOOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

COMMODITY: BEEF, PORK OR CHICKEN MEAT EXTRACTS

I. ORIGIN OF THE CONSIGNMENT

- (i). Name/s and address/es of processing premises:
- (ii). Processing premises registration number:

II. IDENTIFICATION OF PRODUCT

Number of packages:

Nature of packaging:.....

Nature of the goods:.....

Species product derived from:

Net weight in kilograms (kg):

Number of the container(s) and container seal number(s):

Production date(s):

III. CONSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Name and address of consignor:.....

Name and Address of consignee:.....

Port of Disembarkation:.....

Country of Final Destination: NEW ZEALAND

10.2 MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION

I,, being the *Manufacturer* of the products described in the attached Zoosanitary Certificate certify that:

10.2.1 During processing, the chicken meat extracts have been subject to heat treatment by a cooking process that is effective in raising the core temperature to comply with one of the parameters below:

- 70°C for at least 50 minutes, OR
- 80°C for at least 9 minutes, OR
- 100°C for at least 1 minute.

10.2.2 During processing, the beef and pork meat extracts have been subjected to heat treatment by a cooking process that is effective in raising the core temperature to comply with one of the parameters below:

- 70°C for at least 25 minutes; OR
- 80°C for at least 3 minutes.

10.2.3 Necessary precautions were taken after processing to avoid contact of the meat extracts with any animal product not similarly processed.

Signature of *Manager of Manufacturing Premises*:

Date:

Name and address of office:

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