NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** New Zealand  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry for Primary Industries |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Live equids |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X] All trading partners**  **[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Import Health Standard for Equids. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 29  <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/consultations/draft-ihs-for-importing-live-equids/> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The *document* contains generic import requirements for Biosecurity import requirements for live equids. These are the rules to manage the biosecurity risk of importing *equids* from all countries that can meet the requirements of the IHS and in doing so meet New Zealand's appropriate level of protection. The generic IHS serves as the basis for country-to-country (bilateral) negotiations. This guidance document (GD) contains a model veterinary certificate and the bilaterally-agreed veterinary certification for trade in equids. Each country-specific veterinary certificate represents what will be certified prior to exporting consignments of equids from the country specified. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Chapters: 2.1.1, 2.1.3 and 5.1  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]** **Yes [****X] No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** Some disease requirements are based on OIE recommendations with some variations based on risk analysis. Decisions on requirements can be found in the risk management proposal. |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**  Guidance document and Risk management proposal  <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/consultations/draft-ihs-for-importing-live-equids/> (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 March 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 March 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 22 January 2019  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz |
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