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No:

EXPORT OF ZOO RODENTS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM TO NEW ZEALAND

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

EXPORTING COUNTRY: UNITED KINGDOM

FOR COMPLETION BY: OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

I. Identification of the animal(s)*

No. of animals	Species of Rodent	Sex	Age & Date of Birth	Microchip No. & Site of Microchip	Other identification (e.g. ARKS No.)

(a) Import Permit No

II. Origin of the animal(s)*

(a) Name and address of exporter

(b) Name and address of establishment of origin

(c) Official registration number *

III. Destination of the animal(s)*

(a) Name and address of consignee:

(b) Means of transport

(c) Port of loading

IV. Health Information

I, _____ an undersigned Official Veterinarian authorised by the competent authority of the United Kingdom, certify after due enquiry that the rodents described above satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) The animals have been resident in one or more government registered, or licensed, zoos or wildlife parks in the European Union since birth.
- (b) The premises in the country of origin in which the animals for export have been resident are under permanent veterinary supervision, and a health monitoring programme is followed including necropsies, and microbiological and parasitological testing.
- (c) **Pre-export isolation**
- (i) The animals have been held in pre-export isolation (PEI) for a minimum period of 30 days prior to export in premises that were approved and under veterinary supervision by an Official Veterinarian.
- (ii) The animals have been isolated from other animals not of equivalent health status.
- (iii) The animals and all in-contact animals were free from clinical signs of infectious disease.
- (iv) The quarantine premises have an impervious washable floor and walls. Prior to housing the animals, the premises were thoroughly cleaned and sprayed with an acaricide.
- (v) The bedding and feed used were clean and free from evidence of contamination with ticks and weeds/weed seeds. The bedding was removed every 10 days and the premises thoroughly cleaned and sprayed with an acaricide.
- (vi) During PEI, as well as being treated with an acaricide, the quarantine premises were sprayed with an insecticide as required for efficacy.
- (d) **Tests and treatments**
- (i) **Babesia**
The rodents originate from premises where babesia caused by species exotic to New Zealand has not been confirmed by laboratory testing in any resident species in the previous 3 years*,
- *OR during PEI the rodents were tested with an OIE-described test, with negative results.
- Test type:
- Test result:
- Date of test:
(strike out option not used)

(ii) **Leptospira**

During PEI the rodents were treated with an antibiotic effective in clearing leptospira.

Antibiotic:

Active ingredient(s)

Dose rate

Dates of treatment

♦ (iii) **Typanosoma evansi (surra)**

*Either the rodents come from premises where surra has never been recorded in any resident species

*OR the rodents were tested using an OIE-described test, with negative results.

Test type

Test result

Date of test
(strike out option not used)

(iv) **Ticks**

The zoo rodents were treated with an acaricide in the 7-10 days prior to entering PEI, and at least 10 days after entering PEI they were thoroughly examined for ectoparasites and retreated with an acaricide. If ectoparasites were found on examination, these were removed and the animals were re-treated and re-examined until the animals are found to be free from evidence of ectoparasites.

Treatment 1:

Product used:

Active ingredient and concentration

Date

Treatment 2:

Product used:

Active ingredients and concentration

Date

When examined for ticks the animals were also thoroughly examined and groomed to ensure there were no weed seeds present as much as possible.

(e) **Inspection and transport**

- (i) The animals were examined by *myself / *by another authorised UK Official Veterinarian in the 72 hours prior to export, and were free from clinical evidence of infectious or contagious disease, external parasites, plant and seed contamination, and were healthy and fit to travel.
- (ii) The containers used for transporting the animals were new or were cleaned and disinfected, and if from a country where Surra is present, were sprayed with a residual insecticide, prior to loading. Containers constructed of timber meet the requirements of the New Zealand wood packaging import health standard at: (<http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/imports/forests/standards/non-viable-forest-produce/wood-packaging-ihs.htm>)
- (iii) Only sterilised peat, soft board or other inert approved product has been provided for bedding during transport.
- (iv) A signed declaration has been received from the exporter that procedures have been put in place to ensure that during transport to the port of departure and during transit to New Zealand the animals for export will not be transported with animals that are not eligible for export to New Zealand.
- (v) A signed declaration has been received from the exporter that all food loaded for use during transport to the port of departure and during transit to New Zealand is free from evidence of contamination with ticks and weeds/weed seeds.
- (vi) I am satisfied, after due enquiry, that the transport facilities and arrangements meet the requirements published in the IATA Live Animal Regulations.
- (vii) The container was fastened with an official seal bearing the number or mark

*Delete as applicable

VII. This certificate is valid for 10 (ten) days from the date of signature

Stamp

Signed..... RCVS

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Name in block letters. Official Veterinarian

Address.....

Date.....

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