



Ref: CTO 2019 007 [B]

Ornamental Fish and Marine Invertebrates: Inspection

### **CTO Direction to Biosecurity Inspectors for the Clearance of Ornamental Fish and Marine Invertebrates**

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Trade, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for ornamental fish to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable *Import Health Standard: Ornamental Fish and Marine Invertebrates* (ORNAMARI.ALL, 13 April 2017):

Clause 1.10 of the Import Health Standard requires that the ornamental fish and/or marine invertebrates proceed directly to the MPI approved transitional facility named on the import permit where they will be inspected by the Official Veterinarian.

This CTO direction (CTOd) allows for the ornamental fish and/or marine invertebrates to be inspected at the border instead of the transitional facility by the Official Veterinarian. Following inspection and biosecurity authorisation being given under section 25 of the Act, the ornamental fish and/or marine invertebrates must proceed directly to the MPI approved transitional facility named on the import permit. This CTOd may only be used in cases where there have been travel delays making it impractical for the official veterinarian to get to the transitional facility within a reasonable time frame.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.