

# **Grazing Compensation Claim Form**

# Mycoplasma bovis Programme

# Part 1: Your details

To be a claimant you must be a person or business who is the legal owner of the property or goods that were destroyed or damaged, or goods that were affected by movement restrictions as a direct result of an exercise of powers authorised by the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI).

## **Claimant's details**

Name (Company director if the claimant is a business)				
Full postal address (Include street number and RD)				
City/Region/Province			Postcode	
Trading name (If applicable)				
Email			Telephone	
Preferred method of contact	Telephone	🗆 Email		

# **GST** information

Are you GST	□ Yes	(If you are a registered GST business use GST exclusive prices)
registered?	🗆 No	(If you are a NON registered GST business use GST inclusive prices)

### Is someone else acting for you?

Only complete this section if you wish someone else (an agent) to act on your behalf.

Name				
Email			Telephone	
Preferred method of contact	Telephone	🗆 Email		
<b>DBCAT</b> (DairyNZ, Beef + Lamb New Zealand Compensation Assessment team)	(Number/s)			

# Part 2: Tell us about your claim

#### Losses you are claiming for

For each class of stock, please break down the stock that were destroyed into groups by type (e.g. in calf dairy heifers or Wagyu beef bulls) and provide the average age for each group (e.g. 22 months). For value of loss, please indicate what you believe your loss is.

Class of stock	Quantity and liveweight	Value of loss
TOTAL		

### Your farming business

To help us better understand and assess your claim can you describe your normal farming business operations. (For example: I am a dry stock farmer currently in the process of fattening my stock in preparation for slaughter.)

### Timeline of events

Please fill in the timeline of events boxes below, starting with the first contact from MPI and what happened as a result of this. To help you we've provided an example of what to tell us.

When did MPI contact you?	What did they do?	Section of the Act that MPI exercised its powers under? If you don't know or aren't sure write "Not Sure".	What happened?	What <u>would</u> have happened if MPI hadn't exercised its powers?
Example	Example only	Example only	Example only	Example only
only 30 September 2019	Restricted Place (RP) 345	Section 122 of the Act	MPI restricted movement of the cattle on 456 Charles Fergusson Road, Wellington (the property) for M. bovis.	On 15 September 2019 entered into a grazing agreement for 1000 cattle between 1 October 2019 and 30 April 2020 at a rate of \$12.50 per head. This could not be fulfilled causing loss of income of \$x.

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#### **Avoided costs**

Please list any costs you would normally have incurred but have avoided due to stock prevented from being moved onto the property (e.g. feed costs).

#### Actions taken to minimise your loss

The Act requires you to have taken reasonable steps to minimise or avoid your losses. Please describe what (if any) steps have been taken to minimise the impact on your business (e.g. the harvesting and selling of silage).

#### Have you received any other payments from MPI in relation to this claim?

□ No □ Yes	Payment Amount	Date Paid	What was the payment for?
(If YES please fill in these boxes)			

#### Other documents you need to provide in support of your claim

To help MPI to process your claim quickly, there are some documents we need from you to verify your claim. A list of this information can be found in Part 3.

## Declaration (to be completed by the claimant)

I am the legal owner of the property or goods to which this claim applies or have the claimant's authority to sign (for a company, a current director must sign). I have answered all the questions that apply to me and my application and the information I have provided is true and correct.

I authorise MPI to give or obtain information from any other party any other information that in MPI's view is relevant to verifying and/or assessing this claim.

I authorise MPI to pay the assessed amount into the bank account provided with this application.

Your name (print)	Your signature	Date (DD, MM, YYYY)

#### Agent to complete (if applicable)

I have completed this form at the request of the person claiming. The information included in this claim has been provided to me by the claimant and/or has been reviewed by them and confirmed as true and correct.

Your name (print)	Your signature	Date (DD, MM, YYYY)

# Part 3: Supporting your claim

### Supporting information: Grazing

Complete this checklist when you have incurred grazing losses and attach the relevant documentation to support your claim so we have all the information we need to process your claim quickly.

Please provide relevant details and any related documentation on the following:

- 1. Bank details:
  - Bank account name:

If this is your first claim or your bank details have changed, please attach either a bank deposit slip, a screen shot of your account, or some other proof from your bank confirming your account name and number.

- 2. If this is your first year of grazing please provide:
  - a copy of the grazing contract; or
  - any written correspondence, emails, texts that confirm the agreement and set out the grazing period, payment rate, GST status, number of cattle and the DM per animal per day.
- 3. If you have been grazing for more than one year then please provide:
  - a copy of the grazing contract; or
  - any written correspondence, emails, texts that confirm the agreement and set out the grazing period, payment rate, GST status, number of cattle and the DM per animal per day.
  - bank statements which verify previous grazing income for 3 years; or
  - bank statements for as long as in operation if less than 3 years.
- 4. In addition to the above please provide relevant details and any related documentation on the following:
  - □ a copy of your calculation of loss
  - □ an outline of what has happened to the feed that the cattle would have consumed if they had not been prevented from being moved onto the property (e.g. was the grass/crop harvested, what is the value of invoices and are they equivalent to income received)
  - a copy of the Canterbury Feed Assessment (CFA) or equivalent valuation to confirm total area, product available and value of feed available for grazing
  - Copies of any documentation in relation to avoided costs or mitigation of losses if applicable.

If you send in your claim without providing all the details asked for and documentation to support your claim, we'll let you know. You'll have 20 working days from this notification to provide the information, before we look at closing the claim.

If your claim is closed and you wish to reapply, you'll need to fill out a new claim form and attach the missing information we asked for when you made your original claim. You won't need to resubmit any documentation that you provided to support your original claim as we'll have this on your file.

Talk to us as soon as you can, if you can't provide the information we've asked for.

# Part 4: Useful information

#### Where can you get help?

DBCAT is a free service supported by MPI and run independently by DairyNZ and Beef + Lamb New Zealand. They are available to help you:

- understand whether you are eligible for compensation
- clarify what losses you can claim for
- help you put together your claim
- support you through the compensation claim process.

#### **Contact information:**

- Telephone: 0800 32 22 81
- Email: <u>admin@dbcat.co.nz</u>

#### **Biosecurity Act 1993**

The Biosecurity Act 1993 (the Act) provides the legal framework for MPI and others to help keep harmful organisms, such as *Mycoplasma bovis*, out of New Zealand. Compensation may be paid under section 162A of the Act where a person has suffered loss as a result of MPI's exercise of powers under the Act in order to control and eradicate the organism.

Compensation payments are based on showing that your loss was caused as a direct result of MPI exercising powers on your property or goods.

You can claim compensation if:

MPI has exercised powers to eradicate or manage a harmful organism.

- That has caused you to incur a loss, because either:
  - the loss was caused by the damage or destruction to your property, or
  - the loss was caused by movement restrictions imposed on your goods.
- The loss can be verified (complete Part 3: Supporting your claim).

Compensation cannot be paid if losses were incurred:

- Before MPI's exercise of powers commenced.
- · More than one year before the claim was submitted.
- Because you have failed to comply with the Biosecurity Act.
- Because your goods are unauthorised or uncleared.

#### Requesting a re-assessment

Receiving a full or part payment from MPI does not prevent you seeking a re-assessment of your claim. Once payment is made, you may request a re-assessment up to 12 months after you have received payment.

You will need to complete and submit an application for re-assessment form. This is available either on the MPI website, or by contacting the Compensation Co-ordinator. We'll be happy to email one to you.

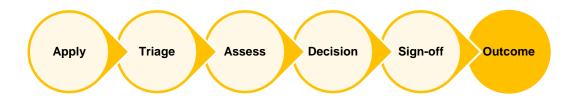
Once you have completed the application for re-assessment form, you can email one or send it by post/courier to MPI's compensation team, along with supporting documentation

#### Privacy Act 1993

Please refer to MPI's website for information on our Privacy Policy.

### **Official Information Act 1982**

MPI is subject to the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and may be required to disclose information regarding this claim in accordance with its obligations under the OIA.



You will receive an email advising that:

- all information has been received and an assessment will commence, or
- further information is required before an assessment can commence. You will have 20 working days to provide this.

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#### **Next Steps - Checklist**

- Completed Claim Form
- □ Signed the Declaration
- □ Attached supporting documentation

#### **Contact Information**

For general information or to send your claim form please contact the MPI Compensation Co-ordinator:

- - compensationcoordinator@mpi.govt.nz
- www.mbovis.govt.nz

0800 00 83 33

- Ministry for Primary Industries Attention: Compensation Co-ordinator PO Box 2526 Wellington 6140
- Ministry for Primary Industries Attention: Compensation Co-ordinator Charles Fergusson Building 34-38 Bowen Street Wellington 6011

Note: MPI is unable to provide legal or business advice to claimants.

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