Ref: CTO 2015 008 [1]

Cat: Microchip Implanted in Post-Arrival Quarantine

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of a cat, [Permit to Import number 2015055807], with a microchip implanted in post-arrival quarantine

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Anne Kramer, Acting Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for a cat to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable Import Health Standard for Cats and Dogs (CATDOG.GEN 2014):

Equivalence from clauses 1.10 (1)(b) of the IHS: A microchip will be implanted in post-arrival quarantine prior to any treatments required for import being given.

There are no microchips or transponders available in Niue. There is also no veterinary authority, or veterinarian in Niue to implant the cat with a microchip prior to import into New Zealand.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this import have been assessed and are managed effectively by this CTO direction.

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