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):** Cats and dogs |
| **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:** Draft Import Health Standard: Cats and Dogs.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 68<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_5689_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Proposed measures for importing cats and dogs into New Zealand. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [****X]****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)*:** 8.14 Infection with rabies virus**[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ]****None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[****X]** **Yes [ ]****No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** In relation to OIE Code Article 8.14.7 (3)(a): For primary rabies vaccinations, these must be given at least six months prior to shipment to New Zealand. In relation to OIE Code Article 8.14.7 (3)(b): There is no provision to allow cats or dogs to be kept in a quarantine station for six months prior to shipment. |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** * Risk Management Proposal:

<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_5689_01_e.pdf>* Guidance Document:

<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_5689_02_e.pdf>  |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 February 2022**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 February 2022 |
| **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)*:** 30 October 2021**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:** Ms Sally Griffin, 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.nzWebsite: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Ms Sally Griffin, 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.nzWebsite: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |