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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry for Primary Industries
<b>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):</b> Horses
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Import health standard, Equids LIVEQUID.GEN. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 30 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Equine piroplasmiasis, caused by <i>Theileria equi</i> and <i>Babesia caballi</i> are exotic to New Zealand. When importing horses from an equine piroplasmiasis infected country, additional to the two serological tests recommended in the Terrestrial Animal Health Code, a PCR assay must also be carried out (with negative results shown). Both parasites can be detected in one generic PCR test.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 12.7. Equine piroplasmiasis <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> The international standard requires two serological tests. A PCR assay is an additional test to ensure imported horses are not early infected prior to an immune response becoming detectable by serology.

<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Risk Management Proposal <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_01_e.pdf</a></li> <li>- Guidance Document <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_02_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7671_02_e.pdf</a></li> <li>- MPI's Rapid risk assessment equine piroplasmosis. Published on MPI website, available online at: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/rapid-risk-analysis-equine-piroplasmosis-november-2020">Rapid Risk Analysis Equine Piroplasmosis November 2020 (mpi.govt.nz)</a> (available in English)</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 21 February 2022  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 21 February 2022</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b>  <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 February 2022</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>Lincoln Broad, advisor animal imports, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0501; E-mail: <a href="mailto:Lincoln.broad@mpi.govt.nz">Lincoln.broad@mpi.govt.nz</a>  or  Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz">sps@mpi.govt.nz</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</a></p>
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