

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Statutory Rules 1987 No 269

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QUARANTINE ACT 1908

QUARANTINE (ANIMALS) REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

Subsection 87(1) of the Quarantine Act 1908 ('the Act') provides that the Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters which are required or permitted by the Act to be prescribed or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the Act.

The Quarantine (Animals) Regulations ('the Regulations') prescribe matters relevant to the quarantine control of animals and products derived from animals.

Regulation 85 prescribes documentary requirements for fertiliser and stock food of animal origin imported from New Zealand (including certification of heat treatment to which the fertiliser or stock food has been subjected). Currently a certificate is required from an approved veterinary surgeon certifying that the goods have been subjected to heat treatment of the kind specified in regulation 85 (which is now technologically outdated).

The Regulation amends Regulation 85 by replacing the detailed treatment specified with a requirement that the goods be subjected to a heat treatment approved by the Director of Animal and Plant Quarantine.

The Regulation also amends regulation 85 by removing reference to New Zealand.

The Regulation entered into force on Gazettal.

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