

## Sending Hair, Tissue or DNA Samples to Australia from Overseas

Neogen Australasia (NAA) holds permits from Australian Quarantine to import the following biological samples:

- Hair, tissue, fluid
- Genetic material (DNA or RNA)

DNA Samples will not require irradiation.

Unless the product is sourced from animals born, raised and residing in one of the following countries listed below, it must be subjected to gamma irradiation at 50 kGy (5 Mrad) before it is released to the importer.

#### Exempt country List:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Iceland, Malta, Mexico, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States, Vanuatu

## If not listed as one of these exempt countries, please contact GAA prior to sending sample to obtain a Request of Irradiation form

Processing fees from Quarantine may also apply and will be passed in full.

#### When sending samples, please follow these steps:

- **1.** Print out relevant Import Permit and associated paperwork including Manufacturer's Declaration (Printable in attached document or available upon request from <u>gaa-lab@neogen.com</u>)
- 2. Place samples and relevant NAA paperwork (e.g. test request form) inside envelope addressed to:

NEOGEN AUSTRALASIA PO Box 1388, UQ Gatton Campus GATTON QLD 4343 Australia

- All required documentation must accompany each consignment. In order to facilitate clearance, airfreight or mail shipments should have all documentation securely attached to the <u>outside</u> of the package, and clearly marked on back of package where documents attached :

   "Attention Department of Agriculture and Water Resources".
   NOTE THIS IS NOT THE DELIVERY ADDRESS PACKAGE CAN BE SENT DIRECT TO NEOGEN AUSTRALASIA .
   Documentation should include the Import Permit, Manufacturer's Declaration and Invoice.
   NOTE: It is the importers responsibility to ensure that the goods are labelled "For in-vitro use only" on the package prior to shipment.
- **4.** Send samples via registered post or courier to Laboratory and email GAA at <u>gaa-lab@neogen.com</u> with test submission form outlining the sample details, consignment number or other relevant tracking information.



## Manufacturers Declaration For the Importation of Hair/Tissue or Genetic Material on Import Permit 0002152565

This consignment contains the following sample type(s) and is **intended for** *in vitro* genetic **testing** <u>ONLY</u> at Neogen Australaisia, The University of Queensland, Gatton, QLD 4343, Australia.

I declare the goods in the (indicate material type):	consignment listed below	contains (insert species)	
	Hair/Tissue/Blood	Purified Genetic Material	
Originating from	(country	), showing no signs of infectious disease.	
These goods are linked to	Consignment Bill Number		
I declare that:			

Genetic material was purified and heat treated at 70 °C for 15 minutes	🗆 Yes 🗆 No	□N/A
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Unless the product is sourced from animals born, raised and residing in one of the following countries listed below, Hair/Tissue/Fluid must be subjected to gamma irradiation at 50 kGy (5 Mrad) before it is released to the importer.

Exempt country List:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Iceland, Malta, Mexico, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States, Vanuatu

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Approval to gamma irradiated, 50kGy (5Mrad)

□ Yes □ No □ N/A



If further information within Australia is required, the contact person is:

Russell Lyons, General Manager, Neogen Australasia, PO Box 1388, UQ Gatton Campus, Gatton, QLD, 4343
Phone: +61 7 3555 9410 / mob 0434 618531
Email: RLyons@neogen.com
or
Deanne Waine, Laboratory Operations Manager, Neogen Australasia, PO Box 1388, UQ Gatton Campus,
Gatton, QLD, 4343
Phone: +61 7 3555 9420
Email: DWaine@neogen.com
This consignment meets the requirements indicated on AQIS permit 0002152565 which is valid
between14September2017and14September2019.
I acknowledge that any expenses incurred by this submission during transit to The University of Queensland
will be payable by the submitter.

Name & Title (print): ..... Position: .....

Signature: ..... Date: .....



Permit to import conditionally non-prohibited goods

This permit is issued under Biosecurity Act 2015 Section 179 (1)

### Permit: 0002152565

## Valid for: multiple consignments between 14 September 2017 and 14 September 2019

This permit is issued to:	Dr Russell Lyons
	Neogen Australasia
	c/- School of Veterinary Science
	Building 8114 University of Queensland
	GATTON QLD 4343
	Australia

Attention: Dr Russell Lyons

#### This permit is issued for the import of Biological products (Standard goods).

	Exporter details:	Various exporters	
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This permit includes the following good(s). Refer to the indicated page for details of the permit conditions:

1. Animal fluids and tissues (ex reproductive material)			
End use:	In vitro use or in vivo use in laboratory organisms		
Country of export:	Various countries		
Country of origin:	Various countries		
Permit Conditions:	Animal fluids and tissues from ovines, caprines, bovines,		
	cervines, camelids and giraffids only	Page 3	
2. Genetic material			
End use:	In vitro use or in vivo use in laboratory organisms		
Country of export:	Various countries		
Country of origin:	Various countries		
Permit Conditions:	Low risk genetic material and vectors	Page 5	

NOTE: Where a good has more than one set of permit conditions please read each set to determine which set of permit conditions applies to a specific consignment.

----- End of commodity list ------

This permit is granted subject to the requirement that fees determined under section 592(1) are paid.

Annette Dougall

Delegate of the Director of Biosecurity

Date: 18 May 2018

## Important information about this permit and the import of goods

Note: This permit covers Department of Agriculture and Water Resources biosecurity requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure all legal requirements relating to the goods described in this import permit are met. While you should rely on your own inquiries, the following information is provided to assist you in meeting your legal obligations in relation to the importation of the goods described in this import permit.

#### Authority to import

You are authorised to import the goods described in this import permit under the listed conditions.

#### Compliance with permit conditions and freedom from contamination

All imports may be subject to biosecurity inspection on arrival to determine compliance with the listed permit conditions and freedom from contamination. Imports not in compliance or not appropriately identified or packaged and labelled in accordance with the import conditions they represent may be subject to treatment, export or destruction at the importer's expense, or forfeited to the Commonwealth.

#### Compliance with other regulatory provisions

Additionally, all foods imported into Australia must comply with the provisions of the *Imported Food Control Act 1992*, and may be inspected and/or analysed against the requirements of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

All imports containing or derived from genetically modified material must comply with the Gene Technology Act 2000.

It is the importer's responsibility to identify and ensure they have complied with all requirements of any other regulatory organisations and advisory bodies prior to and after importation. Organisations include the Department of Immigration and Border Protection, the Department of Health, Therapeutic Goods Administration, Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, the Department of the Environment, Food Standards Australia New Zealand and any state agencies such as Departments of Agriculture and Health and Environmental Protection authorities. Importers should note that this list is not exhaustive.

#### Change of import conditions

Import conditions are subject to change at the discretion of the Director of Biosecurity. This permit may be suspended or revoked without notice.

#### Notification of import

Notification of the import must be provided to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources for all imported goods other than goods imported as accompanied baggage or goods imported via the mail and not prescribed under *the Customs Act 1901*. Notification must be consistent with the Biosecurity Regulation 2016.

#### Valid import permit

The importer must hold a valid import permit when the goods are presented for clearance.

The importer must verify that an import permit has been issued in relation to the consignment by one of the following means:

i. The positive identification of the import permit to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources at the time that the goods are being processed for biosecurity clearance, such as by presenting the import permit.

OR

ii. Any form of physical, digital or verbal correspondence presented with information that allows an import permit to be identified.

#### Provision of required documentation

All required documentation must accompany each consignment. Alternatively, necessary documentation will need to be presented to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources at the time of clearance. In order to facilitate clearance, airfreight or mail shipments should have all documentation securely attached to the outside of the package, and clearly marked "Attention Department of Agriculture and Water Resources". Documentation may include the import permit (or import permit number), government certification and invoice.

If the product description on the import permit varies from the identifying documentation provided for clearance, the importer is responsible for providing evidence to the biosecurity officer that the import permit covers the goods in the consignment.

Any documentation provided must comply with the Department of Agriculture and Water Resource's minimum documentation requirements policy.

## Permit conditions

It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that the following permit conditions are met in relation to each consignment. Where more than one set of permit conditions is shown for a good please read each set of conditions to determine which applies to a specific consignment.

# 1. Animal fluids and tissues from ovines, caprines, bovines, cervines, camelids and giraffids only

This section contains permit conditions for the following commodity (or commodities):

1. Animal fluids and tissues (ex reproductive material)

## 1.1. Biosecurity Pathway

- a. The following conditions apply to:
  - 1. fluids and tissues (excluding reproductive material) sourced from ovines, caprines, bovines, cervines, camelids and giraffids.
  - 2. antisera derived from these species. The antisera must only be raised against synthetic material or against antigens derived from multicellular organisms. Antisera raised against microorganisms (including viruses and prions) are not permitted under these conditions.
  - 3. sera, plasma and blood proteins from these species.
  - 4. urine sourced from these species if imported in quantities of no greater than 500 mL or 500 g per individually packaged unit.
- b. The product must be sourced from animals not knowingly infected.
- c. The product must be sourced from animals born, raised and residing in one of the following countries:

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Cyprus, Czechia (Czech Republic), Denmark, Estonia, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Iceland, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America, Vanuatu.

- d. If the product cannot meet the above conditions it must be subjected to gamma irradiation at 50 kGy (5 Mrad) before it is released to the importer. Irradiation at 50 kGy at a Department of Agriculture and Water Resources approved facility is mandatory even if the product has been irradiated prior to import into Australia.
- e. The products (other than urine) must be imported in quantities of no greater than 20 mL or 20 g for each individually packaged unit.

#### f. **Post entry/end use conditions**

Approved end uses:

- 1. *in vitro* laboratory studies, and/or
- 2. *in vivo* in laboratory organisms. Laboratory organisms are guinea pigs, hamsters, mice, rats, rabbits or microorganisms contained under laboratory or animal house conditions.

Additional written approvals\* are required prior to direct or indirect use:

1. in plants

- 2. in non-laboratory organisms e.g. chickens, sheep, cattle
- 3. as veterinary vaccines and therapeutics
- 4. in culturing or isolating microorganisms and infectious agents.

\*For information on how to obtain additional written approvals contact <u>imports@agriculture.gov.au</u> or call 1800 900 090.

It is the importers responsibility to ensure that the goods are labelled "*in-vitro or in-vivo use in laboratory organisms only*" on the smallest packaged unit, prior to distribution. The products may be labelled post entry.

Where applicable, the importer or end user must comply with:

- 1. International (e.g. <u>International Air Transport Association</u>) and domestic requirements concerning the safe handling, transport and labelling of biological material
- 2. AS/NZS 2243 Safety in Laboratories standards
- 3. Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) requirements.

#### g. Commercial administrative conditions

Documents must be provided with each consignment which:

- 1. identify the consignment (if non-personal) e.g. entry number
- 2. identify all goods being imported as part of this consignment e.g. invoice or waybill or importer's manifest
- 3. describe the goods being imported (where not clear).
  - e.g. 1: Product XRab = Purified protein derived from rabbits
  - e.g. 2: Product AX = Synthetic antibiotic
  - e.g. 3: Comte = Cheese.
- h. Under the <u>Biosecurity Charges Imposition (General) Regulation 2016</u> and Chapter 9, Part 2 of the <u>Biosecurity Regulation 2016</u>, fees are payable to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources for all services. Detail on how the department applies fees and levies may be found in the <u>charging guidelines</u>.
- i. In addition to the conditions for the goods being imported, non-commodity concerns must be assessed including container cleanliness, packaging and destination concerns, and may be subject to inspection and treatment on arrival. Please refer to the BICON Non-Commodity Cargo Clearance case for further information.

## 2. Low risk genetic material and vectors

This section contains permit conditions for the following commodity (or commodities):

2. Genetic material

## 2.1. Biosecurity Pathway

#### a. Commercial administrative conditions

Documents must be provided with each consignment which:

- 1. identify the consignment (if non-personal) e.g. entry number
- 2. identify all goods being imported as part of this consignment e.g. invoice or waybill or importer's manifest
- 3. describe the goods being imported (where not clear).
  - e.g. 1: Product XRab = Purified protein derived from rabbits
  - e.g. 2: Product AX = Synthetic antibiotic
  - e.g. 3: Comte = Cheese.
- b. These conditions allow for the importation of:
  - 1. Purified genetic material from multicellular organisms (excluding plants and fungi); and/or
  - 2. Purified cloning vectors and expression systems i.e. bacterial plasmids, cosmid vectors, yeast artificial chromosomes, bacterial artificial chromosomes and bacteriophages may be imported "empty" or may contain transgenes (the specific gene of interest) from multicellular organisms (excluding plants or fungi) only.

These conditions do NOT allow the importation of:

- 1. Cloning vectors or expression systems that contain transgenes (the specific gene of interest) derived from microorganisms (including viruses).
- 2. Genetic material derived from plants
- 3. Genetic material derived from fungi

#### c. Post entry/end use conditions

Approved end uses:

- 1. *in vitro* laboratory studies,
- 2. *in vivo* in laboratory organisms. Laboratory organisms are guinea pigs, hamsters, mice, rats, rabbits or microorganisms contained under laboratory or animal house conditions.

Additional written approvals\* are required prior to direct or indirect use:

- 1. in plants,
- 2. in non-laboratory organisms e.g. chickens, sheep, cattle,
- 3. as veterinary vaccines and therapeutics.

\* For information on how to obtain additional written approvals contact <u>imports@agriculture.gov.au</u> or call 1800 900 090.

It is the importers responsibility to ensure that the goods are labelled "*in-vitro or in-vivo use in laboratory organisms only*" on the smallest packaged unit, prior to distribution. The products may be labelled post entry.

Where applicable, the importer or end user must comply with:

- 1. International (e.g. International Air Transport Association) and domestic requirements concerning the safe handling, transport and labelling of biological material
- 2. AS/NZS 2243 Safety in Laboratories standards
- 3. Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) requirements.
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----- End of permit conditions -----