



New Zealand: changes to certification for products exported to New Zealand (2017-11)

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Attention:

Industries—Seafood

Seafood Export Consultative Committee

Seafood Trade Advisory Group

Export establishments

Licensed exporters

Department of Agriculture and Water Resources—Central and Regional offices

Purpose

To notify exporters and industry that the department is undertaking a trial of a new electronic certification system for products exported to New Zealand including dairy, fish, meat, wool, skins and hides.

Summary of key points

- The department is undertaking a trial of electronic certification for dairy, fish, meat, wool, skins and hide products exported to New Zealand.
- At this time, there will be no change to the current process for exporters, except that electronic certification will be issued in addition to paper certificates.
- Following a successful trial it is expected that certification for these products to New Zealand will move to an electronic-only system in 2018.
- This development come from a push from both the department and New Zealand to move towards electronic certification of agricultural exports.

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Further information

Contact exports@agriculture.gov.au if you have any queries.