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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> <i>In vitro</i> produced embryos from bovines
<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> Amendment to Bovine germplasm Import Health Standard. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 25 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> New Zealand has amended the Import Health Standard for bovine germplasm which includes semen and <i>in vivo</i> derived embryos to expand the scope with new biosecurity requirements for <i>in vitro</i> produced embryos. Minor changes are also proposed for the existing import requirement. Worth noting are the changes for bovine genital campylobacteriosis in semen and lumpy skin disease in <i>in vivo</i> derived embryos.
<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"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 8.4 Infection with <i>Brucella abortus</i>, <i>B. melitensis</i> and <i>B. suis</i></li><li>- 8.8 Infection with foot and mouth disease virus</li><li>- 8.12 Infection with Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex</li><li>- 8.16 Infection with Rift Valley fever virus</li><li>- 8.22 Infection with <i>Coxiella burnetii</i> (Q fever)</li><li>- 11.3 Bovine genital campylobacteriosis</li><li>- 11.5 Infection with <i>Mycoplasma mycoides</i> subsp. <i>mycoides</i> SC (Contagious bovine pleuropneumonia)</li><li>- 11.6 Enzootic bovine leukosis</li><li>- 11.8 Infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/ infectious pustular vulvovaginitis</li><li>- 11.9 Infection with lumpy skin disease virus</li></ul> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b>

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. 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/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_01_e.pdf</a></li> <li>- Guidance Document <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_02_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NZL/25_00858_02_e.pdf</a> (available in English)</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 1 June 2025</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 1 June 2025</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 1 June 2025</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 15 March 2025</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>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>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>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>