



Import Health Standard for Vehicles, Machinery and Mobile Homes

Short Name: VEHICLE-ALL

Importers are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with this IHS and the associated guidance document and to seek DoA guidance if they are unclear on any part, prior to undertaking any activities relating to the importation of vehicles, machinery or mobile homes.

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THE STANDARD

1. Introduction

This import health standard specifies the requirements to be met for the effective management of risks associated with the importation of vehicles, machinery and mobile homes before they may be imported, moved from a biosecurity control area (Mare Harbour or SAAS container yard), or given a biosecurity clearance.

Vehicles, machinery and mobile homes that do not comply with the requirements of this standard will be decontaminated by a Department of Agriculture (DoA) approved means prior to release or may be reshipped or destroyed.

A biosecurity clearance, will be issued when vehicles, machinery and mobile homes meet all the requirements of this import health standard.

2. Biosecurity Requirements

Vehicles, machinery and mobile homes imported into the Falkland Islands must be clean, internally and externally.

3. Information

All vehicles, machinery and mobile homes must be accompanied by the Vehicles, Machinery and Mobile Homes Declaration stating the following information:

- Contact details of the consignor and consignee
- Country of origin
- Registration number / ID
- Description of Consignment (make and model)

The Vehicles, Machinery and Mobile Homes Declaration should be completed and signed by the exporter.

4. Specific Requirements

All vehicles, machinery and mobile homes must be cleaned prior to export to the Falkland Islands, to ensure that they are free from the following biosecurity risk organisms and materials:

- Soil; including mud, clay, sand etc.
- Plant material; including seeds, leaves, twigs, flowers etc.
- Living invertebrates; including all quarantine insects and spiders.
- Living vertebrates; including rodents, birds or mammals.



Terms & Definitions

The following terms and definitions apply to this standard.

Biosecurity risk organism

A live organism that poses a risk to the Falkland Islands' environment, fauna or flora, inhabitants or economy.

Clean

Free from biosecurity risk organisms, and organic material and other contaminating substance that, if present, it would by reason of its nature, origin, or other factors, be reasonable to suspect constitutes, harbours or contains a biosecurity risk organism.

Equivalent system

Any system of interventions approved by the DoA that is equivalent to a specific requirement(s) of this IHS.

Machinery

Mechanical devices that transmit or modify energy to perform or assist in the performance of human tasks, whether self-propelled, drawn, pushed or fixed in position, including:

- Agricultural and horticultural equipment, such as vehicles with tracks, balers, ploughs, wood chippers and mulchers, rollers, wool scouring plants, pesticide sprayers and cranes, drilling rigs, as well as equipment/machinery used to house and/or process plants and plant products or animal and animal products;
- Components of vehicles/machinery, such as engines, chassis, filters, suspension units and tyres, tracks, holding tanks and compartments;
- Construction, building, and production equipment, such as concrete mixers, generators and road construction equipment;
- Used research and diagnostic equipment, such as centrifuges, biohazard cabinets, air processing and extraction equipment, filters, stomachers and fume hoods, water samplers, waste disposals; and
- Any item of equipment that an inspector deems is machinery as defined for the purposes of this standard.

Vehicle

A conveyance that is used to transport people, objects or substances, including:

- Motorised vehicles such as buses, cars, motor cycles, trucks, trains, utility vehicles, vans, motor homes, motorised bicycles, forklifts, agricultural vehicles, golf carts and mobility scooters;
- Non-motorised and/or self-propelled vehicles imported as cargo such as trailers, caravans, vessels and aircraft, land yachts; and
- Damaged vehicles imported for repair or dismantling.

But excluding:

- Non-motorised bicycles imported as general cargo or personal effects; and
- Non-road vehicles not requiring registration from the Falkland Islands transport authorities such as skateboards, non-motorised scooters, and wheelchairs.