

## 5.2 Incorporation of material by reference

- (1) Incorporation by reference means that standards, guidelines or lists are incorporated into the IHS and they form part of the requirements. This is done because technical documents are too large or impractical to include in the IHS.
- (2) Where the IHS states that section 142O(1) of the Act does not apply, this means that importers need to refer to the most recent version of any standards, guidelines or lists that are incorporated by reference in the IHS.

## 5.3 Approved exporting countries

- (1) The table below lists those approved countries that meet the requirements set out in the *IHS: Cats and Dogs* and are approved to export cats and dogs to New Zealand. Countries will be approved as either Category 1, 2 or 3.

Category 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permit to import is not required</li> <li>• No post-arrival quarantine for compliant <i>cats and dogs arriving</i> at specified times of inspection</li> <li>• Post-arrival inspection required</li> </ul>	
Australia	Norfolk Island

Category 2: Countries or Territories Recognised as Rabies Free			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permit to import required</li> <li>• Post-arrival quarantine required (minimum 10 days)</li> <li>• Post-arrival inspection required</li> </ul>			
Bahrain	French Polynesia	Iceland	New Caledonia
Barbados	Guam	Japan	Singapore
Falkland Islands	Hawaii (USA)	Mauritius	Vanuatu
Fiji			

Category 2: Pacific Islands			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permit to import required</li> <li>• Post-arrival quarantine required (minimum 10 days)</li> <li>• Post-arrival inspection required</li> </ul>			
American Samoa	Micronesia, Federated States	Papua New Guinea	Tonga, Kingdom of
Christmas Island	Nauru	Pitcairn Islands	Tuvalu
Cook Islands	Niue	Saipan	Wallis and Futuna
Kiribati	Palau	Solomon Islands	Western Samoa
Marshall Islands			

Category 3: Specified Countries or Territories where Rabies is Absent or Well Controlled			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permit to import required</li> <li>• Post-arrival quarantine required (minimum 10 days)</li> <li>• Post-arrival inspection required</li> </ul>			
Antigua and Barbuda	Czech Republic	Luxembourg	Slovakia
Aruba	Denmark	Macau	Slovenia, Republic of
Austria	Finland	Malaysia (Peninsular, Sabah & Sarawak only)	South Africa, Republic of
Argentina	France	Malta	South Korea
Bahamas	Germany	Monaco	Spain
Balearic Islands	Gibraltar	Montenegro	St Kitt and Nevis
Belgium	Greece	Netherlands, The	St Lucia
Bermuda	Greenland	Netherlands Antilles	St Vincent and the Grenadines
British Virgin Islands	Hong Kong	Northern Mariana Islands	Sweden
Brunei	Hungary	Norway	Switzerland
Bulgaria	Italy	Poland	Taiwan
Canada	Ireland	Portugal	Trinidad and Tobago
Canary Islands	Isle of Man	Puerto Rico	United Arab Emirates
Cayman Islands	Israel	Qatar	United Kingdom
Chanel Islands	Jamaica	Reunion	USA
Chile	Kuwait	Serbia	Uruguay
Croatia, Republic of	Latvia	Seychelles	Virgin Islands (USA)
Cyprus, Republic of	Lithuania		

- (2) If your country is not an approved country your pet is not eligible for direct import into New Zealand. The options available are:
- Move your pet to an approved country or territory where it must complete the six month residency and other requirements in the veterinary certificate for that country; or
  - Submit a request for inclusion of a country or territory in a veterinary certificate for cats and dogs.
    - Requests will be prioritised quarterly subject to resource availability.
    - Information provided by the government veterinary authority regarding rabies status and control measures, official assurance programmes for veterinary certification and diagnostic laboratories, and controls on animal movement will be assessed. This information will be assessed in cooperation with the Australian Competent Authority as Australia and New Zealand have a formal agreement on harmonisation of country approval for cat and dog imports.
    - Model veterinary certificates are provided in this guidance document. Once a country is approved, the model veterinary certificates should accompany consignments.

## 5.4 Microchips

- (1) Each animal must be fitted with a microchip for identification. *International Standards Organisation (ISO) Standard* microchips meeting specifications 11784 or Annex A of ISO Standard 11785 are generally used (and are required for dog registration in New Zealand).