

Animal Diseases and Animal Pests (Emergency Outbreaks) Act 1991

Declaration re conditions in Importation Order – Abalone (No 8)

This declaration must be completed as a condition of the movement of abalone from Tasmanian abalone farms into New South Wales as specified in the Importation Order – Abalone (No 8) made under Section 28 of the Animal Diseases and Animal Pests (Emergency Outbreaks) Act 1991 signed on the 22nd day of February 2013.

Person making declaration

Full name: (owner or person in charge of abalone farm)			
Full address: (abalone farm)			Postcode:
Phone number:		Fax number:	
Email:			

Number and description of abalone being moved (“the consignment”)

Destination in NSW (where the abalone is going)

Full address: (property name, number, street, town)		Postcode:	
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Declaration by owner or person in charge of abalone farm:

I declare that:

1. The information contained in this declaration is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any information in this declaration is found to be false or misleading, any movement of abalone relating to this declaration may contravene the Importation Order – Abalone (No 8) made under section 28 of the Animal Diseases and Animal Pests (Emergency Outbreaks) Act 1991 and signed on the 22nd day of February 2013.
2. All the abalone in the consignment:
 - (a) are from the abalone farm described in this declaration.
 - (b) have not been in contact with abalone from any other location.
 - (c) are transported in new Styrofoam boxes
 - (d) are being transported (*tick the appropriate option i or ii below*)
 - ☐ i. directly into New South Wales and not via an abalone processor outside New South Wales; or
 - ☐ ii. from that abalone farm in sealed boxes via the certified biosecure area of an abalone processor.
3. The abalone farm described in this declaration:
 - (a) is not within three kilometres by water of an abalone processor.
 - (b) has written evidence of two satisfactory audits of compliance in accordance with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment abalone farm biosecurity program (including no introductions of abalone stock except from equivalent abalone farms of equivalent

status and twice yearly inspection by the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment).

- (c) has written evidence that all unusual abalone mortality events have been reported to the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, any investigation has been completed and the abalone concerned were tested negative by a Tasmanian government laboratory for Abalone viral ganglioneuritis by Polymerase Chain Reaction test.

4. The abalone farm described in this declaration has undertaken the surveillance and testing program described below (*tick the appropriate option (a) or (b) below*):

☐ *Option (a)*

has submitted samples, in the last six months, to a Tasmanian government laboratory to detect infection using a 2-stage sampling procedure in accordance with the table below titled "2-stage sampling procedure" and all samples were tested negative for Abalone viral ganglioneuritis by Polymerase Chain Reaction test;

OR

☐ *Option (b)*

- i. the abalone farm has submitted samples to a government laboratory to detect infection using a 2-stage sampling procedure in accordance with the table in Schedule 3 and all samples were tested negative for Abalone viral ganglioneuritis by Polymerase Chain Reaction test; and
- ii. within 6 weeks of receiving the tests under paragraph (b)(i), the abalone farm must maintain a sentinel population of 30 or more susceptible abalone within an area of the farm that receives discharge water from all tanks holding live abalone on the farm. Where the sentinel abalone population cannot be placed in a single common area to receive discharge from all tanks, multiple sentinel abalone populations must be used; and
- iii. the abalone farm must check each sentinel population daily and submit any moribund abalone to a government laboratory to detect infection with all abalone testing negative for Abalone viral ganglioneuritis by Polymerase Chain Reaction test. The abalone farm must replace any moribund abalone if required to maintain a sentinel population of 30 or more; and
- iv. every six months the abalone farm must submit all abalone within the sentinel population to a government laboratory to detect infection with all abalone testing negative for Abalone viral ganglioneuritis by Polymerase Chain Reaction test; and
- v. the abalone farm must maintain accurate records of all abalone removed from the sentinel population for testing purposes and provide these records for examination during audits of compliance.

Table: 2-stage sampling procedure

No. of grow-out tanks on farm	No. of tanks to sample	No. Abalone sampled per tank
22 or fewer	All	95
23	23	58
24	24	46
25	25	38
26	26	33
27	27	30
28	28	27
29	29	25
30	30	22
31	31	19
32	32	18
33	33	17
34	34	16
36	36	14
37	37	13
38	38	12
39	39	11
41	41	10
43	43	9
45	45	8
46	46	7

47	47	6
48 or more	48	5

5. The consignment is accompanied by a copy of:
- this signed declaration; and
 - the NSW Department of Primary Industries factsheet "General hygiene to prevent spread of abalone disease".
6. I acknowledge that there is a possibility that abalone might become infected with Abalone viral ganglioneuritis as a result of these movements, in which case the premises will be quarantined in accordance with the Animal Diseases and Animal Pests (Emergency Outbreaks) Act 1991. I agree and acknowledge that the Minister for Primary Industries, the Department of Primary Industries and its employees and officers and the State of NSW are not in any way liable for any cost, expense, loss, damage, claim, action, proceeding or other liability incurred by or made against me as a result of any movement approved pursuant to this declaration.
7. I agree to fax or email the signed declaration to NSW Department of Primary Industries on 02 6361 9976 or biosecurity@dpi.nsw.gov.au within 12 hours of the completion of the movement.

Print Name

Witness Name

Signature

Witness Signature

Date

Date

Note: The movement of an animal in contravention of an Importation Order carries a penalty of up to \$22,000 or 6 months imprisonment or both.

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