



Must be used from 01 December 2012

ANIMAL STATUS DECLARATION FOR PIGS

Farm Name & Physical Location:

Hook No/Agent: _____

Pen No: _____

FarmsOnLine No: _____

AgriBase No: _____

Pigs for Slaughter

	Number	Tattoo/Brand/Ear Tag
Suckling / spit pig		
Pork		
Bacon or trim pork		
Choppers		
Other (specify)		

RMP No. or Slaughterhouse (Name and Physical Address):

Other Movements of Pigs

	Number	Tattoo/Brand/Ear Tag
Weaners/stores		
Gilts		
Sows		
Boars		
Other (specify)		

Supplied to (Name and Physical Address) :

1.0 Withholding periods – all pigs (See note 1 of the requirements)

1.1 Are any of these pigs within the withholding period of any treatment?

yes	no
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1.2 If **Yes**, state the product name, method of treatment, last date used and withholding period

(Note these pigs are NOT eligible for slaughter for human consumption until outside the withholding periods)

Product Name	Method of Treatment	Last Date Used	Withholding Period

2.0 Animal history – all pigs (See note 2 of the requirements)

2.1 Were all of these pigs born on your property?

yes	no
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2.2 Are any of these pigs under MPI movement control?

yes	no
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2.3 Are any of these pigs subject to a current surveillance notice for residues?

yes	no
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3.0 Have any of these pigs ever been treated with PST in their lifetime? (See note 3)

yes	no
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4.0 Meat and products containing meat

4.1 Have any of these pigs ever been fed **meat or food waste** in their lifetime? (See note 4, incl. 4.1 and 4.2)

yes	no
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4.2 If Yes, was that feed correctly treated? (See note 4, including 4.2)

yes	no
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5.0 Have any of these pigs been fed any porcine material in their lifetime? (See note 5)

yes	no
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6.0 Have these pigs been managed in accordance with a leptospirosis control programme?(As defined in note 6)

yes	no
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6.1 If No, has the breeding herd been vaccinated for leptospirosis in the last 6 months? (See note 6.1) _____

yes	no
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7.0 Have these pigs been managed on a PigCare™ accredited farm? (See note 7)

yes	no
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8.0 Have these pigs been managed in accordance with any other quality assurance programme that has been independently audited? (See note 8) _____

yes	no
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Declaration: I am the person in charge of these pigs and I declare that I have read and understand the requirements of this ASD for Pigs and the information is true and accurate.

Signature: _____

Contact Phone: (0) _____

Printed Name: _____

Contact Fax: (0) _____

Date: ____/____/____

Name of Transport Company: _____

Vehicle Registration No: _____

Driver's Name: _____

Trailer Registration No: _____

Driver's Signature: _____

Time Loaded: _____ AM / PM

Comments

You must supply an ASD for Pigs when pigs leave your property and get one with all pigs you receive

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ANIMAL STATUS DECLARATION (ASD) FOR PIGS

Purpose of the Animal Status Declaration (ASD) for Pigs

Practices on the farm impact on the suitability of animals for processing and on animal products' eligibility for trade. The purpose of the ASD for Pigs is to transfer key information about a pig, or group of pigs, to the next person in charge, or the processor. Information sought on the white sections of the declaration form is required to administer the Animal Products Act 1999. Information sought in the shaded sections of the declaration form is requested in accordance with support for an industry agreed declaration that was ratified by delegates at the New Zealand Pork Industry Board (NZPork) Annual General Meeting in July 2002. Provision of this information is voluntary for the New Zealand market but may be required for market access requirements either within NZ or overseas.

This form replaces the ASD for Pigs used from 1 March 2006.

Privacy Act Statement

The Privacy Act 1993 provides rights of access to, and correction of, personal information held in readily retrievable form. The information is held by the receiver of the ASD for Pigs.

Who is to complete and sign the ASD for Pigs?

The ASD for Pigs is to be completed by a person in charge of the pigs who has the knowledge and authority to answer all the applicable questions. The person in charge of the pigs could be the owner, farm manager or saleyard operator; but does NOT include transport operators.

Transport operators are not to prepare ASD for Pigs themselves, but are required to transfer the ASD for Pigs when provided with the animals being moved.

Guidelines for Completing the ASD for Pigs

Under the Animal Products Act, the ASD for Pigs MUST be completed for all consignments of pigs sent for processing. In addition the ASD for Pigs MUST be completed for all movements of pigs sent from one property or saleyard to another property or saleyard where there is a different person in charge of the pigs.

Saleyard operators must also complete a new ASD for Pigs, or where there is no change to the status of pigs, the saleyard operator may use a clear photocopy of the ASD for Pigs received with the pigs. Where photocopies are used the tallies must be altered to match the departing mobs and the ASD for Pigs MUST be countersigned by the saleyard operator as being true and correct and tally changes initialled. Where use of a photocopy is not suitable a new ASD for Pigs must be completed by the saleyard operator. Where there is change to the status of pigs at the saleyard, a new ASD for Pigs must be completed.

The same requirements apply to the industry agreed component.

NOTES

Where the pigs' description will not fit in the space provided (e.g. the tattoo/brand/ear tag of pigs), if necessary, an additional piece of paper that is signed by the person in charge and attached to the ASD for Pigs could be used.

Compulsory Requirements

1 Treatments – all pigs

You need only detail any treatment which remains within the withholding period. If you do not know the withholding period, a **63 day withholding period must be applied.**

2 Animal history – all pigs

Movement control: Question 2.2 must be ticked 'yes' when pigs are under any movement control imposed by MPI.

Industry Agreed Requirements

Questions 3 to 8 refer to industry agreed voluntary declaration questions, but may be required for specific purposes. E.g. specific responses to Qs 4 and 8 are required for market access to Singapore. Questions 3 to 6 refer to the whole lifetime of the pigs and so if the pigs have not all been born on your property, you will need to refer to the ASD for Pigs provided by the previous person in charge.

3 PST (Porcine Somatotropin) is a veterinary medicine and must meet the prescribed meat-withholding period, which is 24 hours. Nevertheless, a declaration of use over the pigs' lifetime is sought in order to provide traceability. To answer 'no' to question 3, you must be sure that these pigs have never been treated with PST in their lifetime. All pigs, whether or not treated with PST, are eligible for slaughter.

4 Meat and products containing meat

Under the Biosecurity (Meat and Food Waste for Pigs) Regulations 2005, it is an offence to feed, or allow, cause or permit pigs to be fed, untreated meat or untreated food waste. 'Treated' means heated to 100° Celsius and maintained at that temperature for not less than one hour; or another standard approved by the Director-General of MPI and notified in the Gazette. Untreated meat means meat that has not been 'treated' as defined above. Untreated food waste means any feed that is or contains untreated meat, or may have come into contact with untreated meat. Meat does not include eggs, milk, or rendered material.

4.1 To answer 'no' to question 4.1, you must be sure that these pigs have never been fed any meat or food waste (as defined in note 4) in their lifetime. You are strongly advised to ask the supplier of any feed for a declaration of content.

4.2 To answer 'yes' to question 4.2, you must be able to demonstrate that meat or food waste fed to the pigs any time during their lifetime has been treated as required by the regulations. Unless you have treated the feed yourself you must obtain evidence of treatment from any supplier of any meat and/or food waste.

If you cannot declare that the pigs comply with the Biosecurity (Meat and Food Waste for Pigs) Regulations 2005, based on your answers to Q4.1 and 4.2, these pigs will not be accepted for marketing under the 100% New Zealand Pork label.

5 NZPork strongly recommends that pigs are not fed porcine material to enhance consumer perceptions of New Zealand grown pork. To answer 'no' you must be sure that no porcine material (other than through suckling) has been included in the feed of this consignment of pigs at any time.

6 Leptospirosis

A leptospirosis control programme requires vaccination of the breeding herd if present at least every 6 months, and certification of the grower herd as "free of leptospirosis" at least once every 12 months. Grower herd certification is based on the results of serological testing of a minimum of 10 grower pigs either within two weeks of slaughter or at slaughter using the MAT (Micro Agglutination Test) for *Leptospira pomona*. A registered veterinarian must interpret the results to determine the status of the grower herd. Equivalence to the above programme documented by a registered veterinarian is accepted.

6.1 If the pigs HAVE NOT been managed in a leptospirosis control programme, as defined above, has the breeding herd, if present, been vaccinated within the last 6 months? If you do not have a breeding herd, write in N/A (not applicable).

7 PigCare™ accredited farm

This question is included to enable supply requirements of commercial groups to be met. To answer "yes" the pigs must have been farmed on a PigCare™ accredited farm. For more information refer to NZPork.

8 This question is included to enable additional supply requirements, if any, of commercial groups to be met. Farms registered as eligible to export pork meat to e.g. Singapore, **must write in New Zealand PIB Export Assurance Programme.**

Records

Under the Animal Products Act, the person in charge who completed and signed the ASD for Pigs must keep a copy of the completed ASD for Pigs for 1 year. The person in charge who received the animals must keep the ASD for Pigs received for the period that the pigs are kept and then for an additional year. In order to prove compliance with the Fair Trading Act, it is recommended that copies of the completed ASD for Pigs be retained for 3 years and 9 months from the date that the pigs are supplied. Processing companies must keep the signed ASD for Pigs (and any faxed changes) for 4 years from receipt.

Use of the ASD for Pigs

When it is provided, the signed ASD for Pigs form must accompany the pigs sent from the property or be sent electronically, in which case, it must be at the receiving property when the pigs arrive. If pigs arrive at a property without an accompanying ASD for Pigs or the receipt of an electronic ASD for Pigs, then the pigs must be separated from all other pigs and held until a completed and signed ASD for Pigs is received; OR the pigs must be returned to the supplier. Faxed copies of any changed ASD for Pigs are acceptable.

Warnings

It is an offence under the Animal Products Act 1999 to falsify, alter or misrepresent any declaration required by this Act, (i.e. the white sections of this form) with the intent to deceive or for the purposes of obtaining any material benefit or avoiding any material detriment.

It is an offence under the Biosecurity Act 1993 to feed untreated meat or untreated food waste (see 4. above).

Giving a false or misleading declaration on both (white and shaded) sections of the declaration form could give rise to liability under the Fair Trading Act, including criminal liability, which can carry a fine of up to \$30,000 for individuals and up to \$100,000 for corporations.

Obtaining the ASD for Pigs forms

Forms can be ordered from NZPork by ringing 0800 697 675 (NZ PORK). Forms are provided free of charge to pork producers registered with NZPork. Other persons will be charged \$25 per book of 25 forms. Forms can be downloaded free of charge from MPI's website www.foodsafety.govt.nz or NZPork's website.