

Newcastle Disease (Chapter 2.7.13)

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Article 2.7.13.1.

For the purposes of this Terrestrial Code, the incubation period for Newcastle disease (ND) shall be 21 days.

Standards for diagnostic tests and vaccines are described in the Terrestrial Manual.

Article 2.7.13.2.

ND free country

A country may be considered free from ND when it has been shown that ND has not been present for at least the past 3 years.

This period shall be 6 months after the slaughter of the last affected animal for countries in which a stamping-out policy is practised with or without vaccination against ND.

Article 2.7.13.3.

ND infected zone

A zone shall be considered as infected with ND until:

1. at least 21 days have elapsed after the confirmation of the last case and the completion of a stamping-out policy and disinfection procedures, or
2. 6 months have elapsed after the clinical recovery or death of the last affected bird if a stamping-out policy was not practised.

Article 2.7.13.4.

Veterinary Administrations of ND free countries may prohibit importation or transit through their territory, from countries considered infected with ND, of the following commodities:

1. domestic and wild birds;
2. day-old birds;
3. hatching eggs;
4. semen of domestic and wild birds;
5. fresh meat of domestic and wild birds;
6. meat products of domestic and wild birds which have not been processed to ensure the destruction of the ND virus;
7. products of animal origin (from birds) intended for use in animal feeding or for agricultural or industrial use.

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Article 2.7.13.5.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for domestic birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of shipment;
2. were kept in an ND free country since they were hatched or for at least the past 21 days;
3. have not been vaccinated against ND; or
4. were vaccinated against ND using a vaccine complying with the standards described in the Terrestrial Manual (the nature of the vaccine used and the date of vaccination shall also be stated in the certificate).

Article 2.7.13.6.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for wild birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of shipment;
2. come from an ND free country;
3. were kept in a quarantine station since they were hatched or for at least the 21 days prior to shipment.

Article 2.7.13.7.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for domestic birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of shipment;
2. come from an establishment which is regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authority;
3. come from an establishment free from ND and not situated in an ND infected zone; or
4. were kept in a quarantine station since they were hatched or for the 21 days prior to shipment and were subjected to a diagnostic test for ND with negative results;
5. have not been vaccinated against ND; or
6. were vaccinated against ND using a vaccine complying with the standards described in the Terrestrial Manual (the nature of the vaccine used and the date of vaccination shall also be stated in the certificate).

Article 2.7.13.8.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for wild birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of shipment;
2. were kept in a quarantine station since they were hatched or for at least the 21 days prior to shipment;
3. were subjected to a diagnostic test for ND with negative results before entry into quarantine.

Article 2.7.13.9.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for day-old birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that:

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1. the day-old birds come from hatcheries situated in an ND free country;
2. neither the day-old birds nor their parents have been vaccinated using a modified live virus vaccine.

Article 2.7.13.10.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for day-old birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the day-old birds:

1. come from hatcheries which are regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authority;
2. come from hatcheries free from ND and not situated in an ND infected zone;
3. have not been vaccinated against ND; or
4. were vaccinated against ND using a vaccine complying with the standards described in the Terrestrial Manual (the nature of the vaccine used and the date of vaccination shall also be stated in the certificate).

Article 2.7.13.11.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for hatching eggs

1. the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the hatching eggs come from establishments or hatcheries situated in an ND free country and which are regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authority.

Article 2.7.13.12.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for hatching eggs

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the hatching eggs:

1. have been disinfected in conformity with the procedures referred to in Appendix 3.4.1.;
2. come from establishments or hatcheries which are regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authority;
3. come from establishments or hatcheries free from ND and not situated in an ND infected zone;
4. come from establishments or hatcheries in which birds were not vaccinated against ND; or
5. come from establishments or hatcheries in which birds were vaccinated against ND (the nature of the vaccine used and the date of vaccination shall also be stated in the certificate).

Article 2.7.13.13.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for semen of domestic and wild birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the donor birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of collection of the semen;
2. were kept in an ND free country for not less than 21 days prior to collection.

Article 2.7.13.14.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for semen of domestic and wild birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the donor birds:

1. showed no clinical sign of ND on the day of collection of the semen;
2. had not been vaccinated using ND live virus vaccine at any time before collection;

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3. were kept in the exporting country, in an establishment which was regularly inspected by the Veterinary Authority;

4. were kept in an establishment free from ND and not situated in an ND infected zone.

Article 2.7.13.15.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for fresh meat of poultry

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the entire consignment of meat comes from birds:

1. which have been kept in an ND free country since they were hatched or for at least the past 21 days;

2. which have been slaughtered in an approved abattoir and have been subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections for ND with favourable results.

Article 2.7.13.16.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for fresh meat of poultry

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that the entire consignment of meat comes from birds:

1. which have been kept in an establishment free from ND and not situated in an ND infected zone;

2. which have been slaughtered in an approved abattoir not situated in an ND infected zone and have been subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections for ND with favourable results.

Article 2.7.13.17.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for meat products of birds

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that:

1. the entire consignment of meat products comes from birds which have been slaughtered in an approved abattoir and have been subjected to ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections for ND with favourable results;

2. the meat products have been processed to ensure the destruction of the ND virus;

3. the necessary precautions were taken after processing to avoid contact of the meat with any source of ND virus.

Article 2.7.13.18.

When importing from ND free countries, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for products of animal origin (from birds) intended for use in animal feeding or for agricultural or industrial use

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that these products come from birds which have been kept in an ND free country since they were hatched or for at least the past 21 days.

Article 2.7.13.19.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for meal and flour from meat and feather (from birds)

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that these products have been processed using heat treatment to ensure the destruction of the ND virus.

Article 2.7.13.20.

When importing from countries considered infected with ND, Veterinary Administrations should require:

for feathers and down (from birds)

the presentation of an international veterinary certificate attesting that these products have been processed to ensure the destruction of the ND virus.