Biosecurity

Auckland Airport Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to set out Auckland Airport's commitment to meeting all biosecurity and border health obligations placed on us and our commitment to work proactively with border agencies, health agencies, airlines and tenants to achieve a high standard of biosecurity awareness and protection at Auckland Airport to contribute to preventing unwanted pests, diseases and organisms entering and becoming established in New Zealand.

Biosecurity and Border Health Requirements

Auckland Airport is designated as a Place of First Arrival for aircraft from overseas. The Biosecurity Act 1993 prescribes requirements for us to design and manage our facilities so as to assist in the exclusion of unwanted pests and organisms from New Zealand. The Health Act 1956 and the World Health Organisation International Health Regulations prescribes requirements for us to manage our facilities and operation so as to assist in the exclusion and/or spread of unwanted diseases and pandemics from New Zealand.

Auckland Airport fully commits to:

- providing all space reasonably required for biosecurity and border health processes undertaken by Government agencies such as MPI, Auckland Regional Public Health Department or the Ministry of Health
- ensuring that Auckland Airport facilities are constructed to the standard necessary to meet all biosecurity and border health requirements
- proactively taking all reasonably practical steps to minimise potential breeding habitats in high risk areas managed by Auckland Airport so as to reduce the risk of unwanted pests and organisms becoming established
- putting in place a pest management plan and undertaking any necessary monitoring work and other tasks to meet our biosecurity and border health requirements
- responding proactively in the event of any biosecurity risk incursion at the Airport so as to prevent it becoming established outside Auckland Airport's POFA boundaries.

Biosecurity and Border Health Awareness and Promotion

Auckland Airport commits to:

- actively cooperating with government agencies undertaking biosecurity and border health roles and functions
- proactively working with staff, tenants, licensees & contractors to raise biosecurity and border health awareness

References

Biosecurity Act 1993 Health Act 1956 World Health Organisation International Health Regulations 2005 Auckland Airport Place of First Arrival Manuals and Biosecurity Rules

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