

Application to

Import a new organism into containment

That is not a genetically modified organism

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Please note

This application form covers the importation of a new organism into containment that is **not a genetically modified organism** under s39 of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act. This form may be used to seek approvals for more than one organism where the organisms are of a similar nature.

Do not use this form for genetically modified organisms. If you want to import a genetically modified organism into containment please use the form entitled *Application to import genetically modified organisms into containment*.

This is the approved form for the purposes of s40 (2) of the HSNO Act and replaces all other previous versions.

Confidential information must be collated in a separate appendix. You must justify why you consider the material confidential and make sure it is clearly labelled as such.

The Environmental Risk Management Authority (ERMA New Zealand) may approve the importation of a new organism into containment for a variety of purposes such as research, conservation, production of biopharmaceuticals, display etc. If approved, the organism must be held in a containment facility that is registered with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) and in accordance with any other controls imposed on the approval. Once an approval is granted, any person may use the approval to import a new organism of the same species provided the same conditions are met.

You must sign the application form and enclose the application fee (including GST). ERMA New Zealand will not process applications that are not accompanied by the correct application fee.

ERMA New Zealand may decide to publicly notify this application if it considers there is likely to be significant public interest in it. The fee is more for notified applications. For more information regarding fees refer to our Fees and Charges Schedule on our website at www.ermanz.govt.nz.

If you have any queries regarding the information required or would like to discuss your draft application form, please contact a New Organisms Advisor at ERMA New Zealand or email noinfo@ermanz.govt.nz.

An electronic and paper copy of the final completed form must be submitted.

This form was approved on 6 May 2010 by the Chief Executive of ERMA New Zealand acting under delegation from the Authority.

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Section 1: Application details:

a) Application title

b) Organisation name

c) Postal address

Section 2: Provide a plain language summary of why you are importing the organism and the benefits/risks of holding the organism in containment.

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Section 3: Purpose of your Application

a) Which of the following best describes the purpose of your application?

Fermentation or regeneration of a new organism
Field test a new organism
Conservation of genetic material
Public display including – but not limited to – circus or zoological garden
Maintaining for use in an emergency
Maintaining to produce antigens, biopesticides, biopharmaceuticals, enzymes, hormones or vaccines for release
Maintaining for diagnostic purposes
Other

b) Explain why you believe your application meets this purpose

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Section 4: Identification of the proposed organism to be held in containment

Genus:	
Species (and strain if relevant):	
Common name(s):	
Type of organism:	

Section 5: The proposed containment system

a) Is there a MAF/ERMA Standard you propose to hold the organism under?

Microorganisms and Cell Cultures	
Invertebrates	
Vertebrate Laboratory Animals	
Zoo Animals	
Plants	
Not sure	
Other (describe)	

b) Is there a physical containment level you propose to hold the organism under?

PC1	
PC2	
Not sure	
Not relevant	

i. Where relevant, describe anything else you will do to keep the organism contained?

c) Describe possible ways the organism could escape from containment?

d) What conditions are required for it to establish in the New Zealand environment?

e) How would an escaped organism/population be located, identified and eradicated?

Section 6: Beneficial and adverse effects that you are aware of

a) What are the benefits of importing the organism into containment?

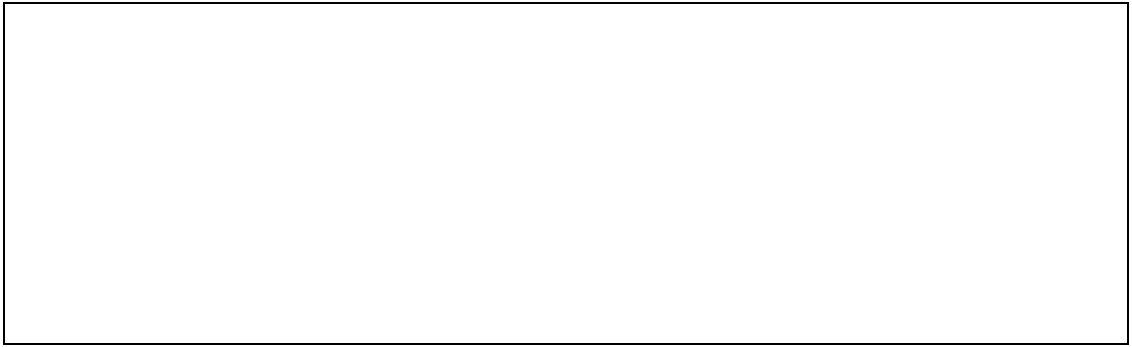
b) If the organism were to escape, what adverse effects could it have on:

i. On the environment?

ii. On public health and safety?

iii. On Māori and their culture and traditions?

iv. On the market economy, or society and the community?



Section 7: Is there any other information relevant to the consideration of this application that has not been mentioned earlier?

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Section 8: References and appendices – hard copies must be attached to the application form.

a) List of references attached

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Author	Title and Journal

b) List of appendices attached

Appendix Number	Title
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Section 9: Declaration and signing the application form

In preparing this application I have:

- Taken into account the ethical principles and standards described in the ERMA New Zealand Ethics Framework Protocol (<http://www.ermanz.govt.nz/resources/publications/pdfs/ER-PR-05-1.pdf>);
- Identified any ethical considerations relevant to this application;
- Ensured that my answers contain an appropriate level of information about any ethical considerations identified, and provided information about how these have been anticipated or might be mitigated; and
- Contacted *ERMA New Zealand staff for advice if in doubt about any ethical considerations.*

I have completed this application to the best of my ability and, as far as I am aware, the information I have provided in this application form is correct.

Signed

Date

Signature of applicant or person authorised to sign on behalf of applicant

Before submitting your application you must ensure that:

- all sections are completed;
- appendices (if any) are attached;
- copies of references (if any) are attached;
- any confidential information identified and enclosed separately;
- the application is signed and dated;
- your application fee has been paid or is enclosed; and
- an electronic copy of the final application is e-mailed to ERMA New Zealand.