



**ANIMAL PRODUCTS (SPECIFICATIONS FOR PRODUCTS
INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION) AMENDMENT NOTICE
2001**

Pursuant to sections 45 and 167 of the Animal Products Act 1999, I, Tony Zohrab, Director Animal Products, issue the following amendment notice:

Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption)
Amendment Notice 2001.

Signed at Wellington this day of November 2001.

Tony Zohrab
Director Animal Products
Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
(Acting pursuant to delegated authority)

Certified in order for signature

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- 1. Title**
 - (1) This notice is the Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Amendment Notice 2001.
 - (2) In this notice, the Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Notice 2000 is called "the principal notice".
 - 2. Commencement**

This notice comes into force on 1 December 2001.
 - 3. Apiarist and beekeeper requirements amended**

Clause 108 of the principal notice is revoked and the following clause substituted:
- “108 Apiarist and beekeeper requirements**
- (1) An apiarist or beekeeper must ensure that all honey or other bee products are harvested so that they —
 - (a) meet the requirements of the apiarist and beekeeper statement for the harvest of honey or other bee products for human consumption set out in Part 2 of Schedule 5 (Form 4); and
 - (b) are free from plant toxins, including phytotoxins of the native plant tutu (*Coriaria* spp); and
 - (c) do not exceed the permissible MRLs.
 - (2) An apiarist or beekeeper must complete and sign the statement for each lot of honey or other bee products and keep a copy of every statement for a minimum of 2 years, except where subclause (5) applies.
 - (3) An apiarist or beekeeper must provide a copy of the statement to the secondary processor with each consignment of honey or other bee products before processing by the secondary processor commences.

- (4) If the statement cannot be completed with a “No” response in boxes (a) to (c), the affected honey or other bee products must not be processed for human consumption, unless the apiarist or beekeeper or processor has obtained prior written approval from the Director-General. The Director-General may impose conditions on the approval, and the apiarist, beekeeper or processor must comply with those conditions.
- (5) Where an apiarist or beekeeper processes honey or other bee products themselves for trade intended for direct consumption without further processing, then the apiarist or beekeeper may keep records containing the information required by the statement, in accordance with the requirements of clause 34(2).
- (6) If the records kept under subclause (5) show that the honey or other bee products contain plant toxins, potentially harmful pesticides or other agricultural compounds, drugs or other licensed compounds, they must not be processed for human consumption or traded, unless prior written approval from the Director-General has been obtained. The Director-General may impose conditions on the approval and the apiarist or beekeeper must comply with those conditions.”

4. Schedule 5 amended

Form 4 in Part 2 of Schedule 5 of the principal notice is revoked and Form 4 in the Schedule of this notice, is substituted.

Schedule Form 4 Added to Schedule of Principal Notice

“Form 4

APIARIST AND BEEKEEPER STATEMENT FOR THE HARVEST OF HONEY OR OTHER BEE PRODUCTS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

This statement is made under Animal Products (Specifications for Products Intended for Human Consumption) Notice 2000.

Apiarist name:	Apiarist physical address:
Apiarist registration number ¹ :	Extraction site address:

Consignment Details

Product type	Quantity	Identified as (code number)	Apiary location(s) ² Or apiary registration number(s)	Date of harvest

The following statements relate to the location(s) and period of time that the hive was producing the products covered by this declaration:

- | | Yes | No |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| (a) From your knowledge of the bee foraging area ³ , is there any likelihood of the honey and/or other bee products containing plant toxins ⁴ ? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (b) From your knowledge of the bee foraging area, have any potentially harmful pesticides or agricultural compounds been used on, or affected, any of the flowering crops or other nectar sources in that area? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (c) Have any drugs (e.g. antibiotics) or other licensed compounds been used in hives, other than in accordance with label conditions (regarding dose and withholding periods)? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you have answered “Yes” to any of the above three statements please provide further details (e.g. product name, date, and code) for affected product, and explain why this product should be considered suitable for human consumption.

I declare that all the statements made in this document are true and correct. I am aware that the details provided will be received and retained by the processor and may be provided to the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry for the general administration of the Animal Products Act 1999. I consent to that happening.

Apiarist and beekeeper signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Note: It is in offence under section 127 of the Animal Products Act 1999 to provide false or misleading information in this supplier statement and under the Privacy Act you have certain rights of access to and correction of personal information held about you.”

¹ As specified in the Apiaries Register kept pursuant to the American Foulbrood Pest Management Strategy.

² Apiary location may be specified by grid reference, farm location, or Apiary registration number.

³ Bee foraging area is generally recognised as a 3km area around the location of the hive.

⁴ Includes phytotoxins of the native plant tutu at the stage when leafhoppers are generating honeydew which is then available for foraging bees.”

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