

Personal Effects Consignments – delivery to residence no longer allowed

From **1 June 2015** full container load consignments of personal or household effects will no longer be permitted to be unpacked at the importer's residence, regardless of the risk status of the consignment.

Any Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) inspection of personal effects items of biosecurity interest must be carried out at a transitional facility approved for that purpose.

This measure is being undertaken to minimise the risks associated with unpacking and inspecting risk goods at uncontrolled locations.

All sea containers carrying personal effects must be unpacked at MPI approved transitional facilities approved for both sea containers and personal effects. These facilities are an integral part of the biosecurity system.

The move has been envisaged for some time under the existing Import Health Standard relating to personal or household effects in sea containers.

MPI will not consider personal effect sea containers to be eligible for the temporary sea container transitional facility process.

For any clarification, please don't hesitate to contact:

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