

North Island to South Island Strangles Travel Declaration

For horses and companion ponies subject to a Strangles-related directive and proposed to travel from North Island to South Island

Purpose: This form records the health declaration, 5-day temperature history, PCR sampling details (Nasal Pharyngeal Swab OR Guttural Pouch Wash/Lavage), and proposed isolation arrangements required before travel is confirmed.

1. Trainer / person responsible

Trainer / person responsible	
Stable / business name	
Phone	
Email	
Primary premises address	

2. Horse or companion pony details

Horse / pony name	
Microchip / brand / registration	
Sex / age	
Current location	
Receiving South Island property	
Proposed travel date	

3. Required declaration

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and based on daily monitoring records:

- ☐ The horse or companion pony named above is in good health.
- ☐ The horse or companion pony is not showing signs consistent with Strangles, including fever, nasal discharge, enlarged or painful lymph nodes, abscessation, difficulty swallowing, or other suspicious clinical signs.
- ☐ Rectal temperatures have been recorded for the previous 5 days and all readings remained below 38.5°C.
- ☐ A Nasal Pharyngeal Swab OR Guttural Pouch Wash/Lavage sample (collection method determined by the NZTR or HRNZ Strangles Directive – section 2.5) has been collected within 5 days before travel and submitted for PCR testing.
- ☐ If travel occurs before the PCR result is received, the receiving property has confirmed the horse or companion pony can be kept isolated until a negative PCR result is obtained.
- ☐ I understand travel must not occur until the health declaration, sampling details and proposed isolation arrangements have been reviewed, and any RIB conditions or permissions have been confirmed.

4. Five-day rectal temperature record

Day / date	Morning temp °C	Evening temp °C	At least 8 hours between readings?	Clinical signs / comments
Day 1:			☐ Yes ☐ No	
Day 2:			☐ Yes ☐ No	
Day 3:			☐ Yes ☐ No	
Day 4:			☐ Yes ☐ No	
Day 5:			☐ Yes ☐ No	

5. Sampling and PCR submission details

Attending veterinarian	
Practice / clinic	
Sample type (indicate one)	Nasal Pharyngeal Swab OR Guttural Pouch Wash/Lavage
Date and time collected	
Laboratory submitted to	
Lab reference / accession no.	
PCR result status	☐ Pending ☐ Negative result attached

6. Proposed isolation arrangements at receiving property

Isolation location / paddock / stable	
Person responsible at the receiving property	
How the horse/pony will be kept separate until negative PCR result is obtained	
Dedicated equipment / hygiene arrangements	
Transport provider and vehicle details	

7. Signatures

Trainer / responsible person signature	
Name	
Date	
Veterinarian signature / written confirmation, if provided	
Name and clinic	
Date	

8. RIB review / office use

[Form must be delivered to vet@rib.org.nz]

Received by	
Date received	
Health declaration reviewed	☐ Yes ☐ No
Sampling details reviewed	☐ Yes ☐ No
Isolation arrangements reviewed	☐ Yes ☐ No
RIB conditions / permission confirmed	☐ Yes ☐ No Details:
Notes / conditions	

Note: This declaration is intended to support RIB review of North Island to South Island travel during Strangles-related directive management. Case-specific directions may vary according to veterinary advice, risk assessment and applicable Rules of Racing.

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Deliver completed form to vet@rib.org.nz