



**Permit to import conditionally non-prohibited goods**

This permit is issued under *Biosecurity Act 2015* Section 179 (1)

**Permit: 0005515597**

**Valid for: multiple consignments  
 between 16 July 2021 and 16 July 2023**

This permit is issued to: Diversity Arrays Technology Pty Ltd  
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 Australia

Attention: Miss Bianca Mauch

**This permit is issued for the import of Biological products (Standard goods).**

Exporter details:	Various exporters
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This permit includes the following good(s). Refer to the indicated page for details of the permit conditions:

1. Genetic material	
End use:	In vitro use or in vivo use in laboratory organisms
Country of export:	Various countries
Country of origin:	Various countries
Permit Conditions:	Genetic material from multicellular organisms (Including listed vectors) and vectors

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NOTE: Where a good has more than one set of permit conditions please read each set to determine which set of permit conditions applies to a specific consignment.

----- **End of commodity list** -----

**This permit is granted subject to the requirement that fees determined under section 592(1) are paid.**

Tim Carswell  
 Delegate of the Director of Biosecurity

Date: 16 July 2021

## Important information about this permit and the import of goods

**Note:** This permit covers Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment biosecurity requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure all legal requirements relating to the goods described in this import permit are met. While you should rely on your own inquiries, the following information is provided to assist you in meeting your legal obligations in relation to the importation of the goods described in this import permit.

### Authority to import

You are authorised to import the goods described in this import permit under the listed conditions.

### Compliance with permit conditions and freedom from contamination

All imports may be subject to biosecurity inspection on arrival to determine compliance with the listed permit conditions and freedom from contamination. Imports not in compliance or not appropriately identified or packaged and labelled in accordance with the import conditions they represent may be subject to treatment, export or destruction at the importer's expense, or forfeited to the Commonwealth.

### Compliance with other regulatory provisions

Additionally, all foods imported into Australia must comply with the provisions of the *Imported Food Control Act 1992*, and may be inspected and/or analysed against the requirements of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

All imports containing or derived from genetically modified material must comply with the *Gene Technology Act 2000*.

It is the importer's responsibility to identify and ensure they have complied with all requirements of any other regulatory organisations and advisory bodies prior to and after importation. Organisations include the Department of Home Affairs, the Department of Health, Therapeutic Goods Administration, Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, Food Standards Australia New Zealand and any state agencies such as Departments of Agriculture and Health and Environmental Protection authorities. Importers should note that this list is not exhaustive.

### Change of import conditions

Import conditions are subject to change at the discretion of the Director of Biosecurity. This permit may be suspended or revoked without notice.

### Notification of import

Notification of the import must be provided to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment for all imported goods other than goods imported as accompanied baggage or goods imported via the mail and not prescribed under *the Customs Act 1901*. Notification must be consistent with the Biosecurity Regulation 2016.

### Valid import permit

The importer must hold a valid import permit at the time when the goods are brought or imported into Australian Territory.

The importer must verify that they hold a valid import permit in relation to the consignment by providing positive identification to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment, by either:

- i. Submitting (or providing) the permit for biosecurity clearance.

OR

- ii. Providing any physical, digital or verbal information that allows the permit to be identified at the time of biosecurity clearance.

### Provision of required documentation

All required documentation must accompany each consignment. Alternatively, necessary documentation will need to be presented to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment at the time of clearance. In order to facilitate clearance, airfreight or mail shipments should have all documentation securely attached to the outside of the package, and clearly marked "Attention Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment". Documentation may include the import permit (or import permit number), government certification and invoice.

If the product description on the import permit varies from the identifying documentation provided for clearance, the importer is responsible for providing evidence to the biosecurity officer that the import permit covers the goods in the consignment.

Any documentation provided must comply with the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment's minimum documentation requirements policy.

## Permit conditions

It is the importer's responsibility to ensure that the following permit conditions are met in relation to each consignment. Where more than one set of permit conditions is shown for a good please read each set of conditions to determine which applies to a specific consignment.

### 1. Genetic material from multicellular organisms (Including listed vectors) and vectors

This section contains permit conditions for the following commodity (or commodities):

1. Genetic material
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#### 1.1. Biosecurity Pathway

- a. These conditions allow for the importation of:
1. Purified genetic material from multicellular organisms (excluding plants and fungi); and/or
  2. Purified cloning vectors and expression systems i.e. bacterial plasmids, cosmid vectors, yeast artificial chromosomes, bacterial artificial chromosomes and bacteriophages may be imported "empty" or may contain transgenes (the specific gene of interest) from multicellular organisms (excluding plants, fungi or prions from any species) only.

These conditions do NOT allow the importation of:

1. Cloning vectors or expression systems that contain transgenes (the specific gene of interest) derived from microorganisms and infectious agents (including prions).
2. Genetic material derived from plants.
3. Genetic material derived from fungi.

- b. The goods must meet biosecurity requirements.

To demonstrate compliance with this requirement you must present the following on a Product label, Invoice, Manufacturer's declaration, Exporter's declaration or Supplier's declaration:

Evidence:

1. that the genetic material has been highly purified and is unable to replicate; and
2. the name of the source multicellular organism; and
3. the name of the cloning vector (if applicable).

- c. **Post entry/end use conditions**

Approved end uses:

1. *in vitro* laboratory studies,
2. *in vivo* in laboratory organisms. Laboratory organisms are guinea pigs, hamsters, mice, rats, rabbits or microorganisms contained under laboratory or animal house conditions.

Additional written approvals\* are required prior to direct or indirect use:

1. in plants,
2. in non-laboratory organisms e.g. chickens, sheep, cattle,

3. as veterinary vaccines and therapeutics.

\* For information on how to obtain additional written approvals contact [imports@awe.gov.au](mailto:imports@awe.gov.au) or call 1800 900 090.

It is the importers responsibility to ensure that the goods are labelled “*in-vitro or in-vivo use in laboratory organisms only*” on the smallest packaged unit, prior to distribution. The products may be labelled post entry.



Where applicable, the importer or end user must comply with:

1. International (e.g. [International Air Transport Association](#)) and domestic requirements concerning the safe handling, transport and labelling of biological material
2. AS/NZS 2243 Safety in Laboratories standards
3. [Office of the Gene Technology Regulator \(OGTR\)](#) requirements
4. The [Security Sensitive Biological Agents \(SSBA\) regulatory scheme](#).

d. **Commercial administrative conditions**

Documents must be provided with each consignment which:

1. identify the consignment (if non-personal) e.g. entry number
2. identify all goods being imported as part of this consignment e.g. invoice or waybill or importer’s manifest
3. describe the goods being imported (where not clear).  
e.g. 1: Product XRab = Purified protein derived from rabbits  
e.g. 2: Product AX = Synthetic antibiotic  
e.g. 3: Comte = Cheese.

e. Under the [Biosecurity Charges Imposition \(General\) Regulation 2016](#) and Chapter 9, Part 2 of the [Biosecurity Regulation 2016](#), fees are payable to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment for all services. Detail on how the department applies fees and levies may be found in the [Charging guidelines](#).

f. In addition to the conditions for the goods being imported, non-commodity concerns must be assessed including container cleanliness, packaging and destination concerns, and may be subject to inspection and treatment on arrival. Please refer to the Non-Commodity Cargo Clearance BICON case for further information.

----- **End of permit conditions** -----