

Deer Industry New Zealand Levy Rates

1. Deer Industry New Zealand (DINZ) is a marketing authority established by Regulation 4 of the Deer Industry New Zealand Regulations 2004.

2. DINZ levy

2.1 Under Regulation 18(1) of the Deer Industry New Zealand Regulations 2004, DINZ fixes the rates of DINZ levy (which levy rates are exclusive of goods and services tax imposed by the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985) as follows:

(a) On venison derived from deer, other than fallow deer, slaughtered in deer slaughtering premises, on the basis of hot clean carcass weight after removal of condemned parts:

19.50 cents (nineteen point five cents) per kilogram for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.

(b) On venison derived from each fallow deer slaughtered in deer slaughtering premises, on the basis of hot clean carcass weight after removal of condemned parts:

12.50 cents (twelve point five cents) per kilogram for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.

(c) On velvet from deer other than fallow deer received at a packing house for processing or packing, on a frozen weight basis:

325 cents (three hundred and twenty-five cents) per kilogram for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.

(d) On velvet from fallow deer received at a packing house for processing or packing, on a frozen weight basis:

90 cents (ninety cents) per kilogram for the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.

2.2 For the purpose of paragraphs 2.1(a) and 2.1(b) above, hot clean carcass weight is defined in the DeerQA Venison Processors Industry Agreed Standards (dated 21 July 2003) at Standard IAS-3: Venison Standard Carcass. This document is available on request from Deer Industry New Zealand by telephone (04) 473 4500 or mail to PO Box 10702, Wellington.

2.3 The levy rates described in paragraphs 2.1(a) and 2.1(b) above are payable by the owner at the time of slaughter. However, where the venison is sold at the time of slaughter to a venison processor or venison marketer (as defined in Regulation 3 of the DINZ Regulations 2004):

(a) the portions of the levy on such venison that are allocated to TBfree New Zealand (as described in paragraph 9.2 below) shall remain payable by the owner at the time of slaughter;

(b) the remainder of the levy payable on such venison shall be payable in equal shares by the owner at the time of slaughter and the venison processor or venison marketer.

2.4 No levy is payable on velvet when the value of the applicable velvet grade, as defined by the Industry Agreed Grading Guidelines, is less than or equal to \$15.00/kg (GST exclusive).

2.5 If the deer slaughtering premises (DSP) or packing house (PH) (formerly game packing house) fails to keep accurate records relating to the DINZ levy or to file accurate returns relating to the DINZ levy, then the levy payable will be assessed by DINZ with reference to such information as DINZ considers fit.

3. DSPs are not required to collect levies on Tb reactors but will be required to report the number of reactor deer slaughtered to DINZ in their monthly returns. The levy will be waived for those Tb reactors which are identified with an official reactor tag and where they arrive at the DSP accompanied by an official permit to move.

4. A nil rate of levy applies to any farmed deer or killed game deer carcasses which are wholly condemned for any reason following slaughter or receipt into a PH.

5. No levy is payable in respect of any one farmed deer carcass or piece of velvet more than once.

6. These rates of levy come into effect on and from 1 October 2015 and apply until 30 September 2016, or until such time as new levy rates are fixed and come into force.

7. Under Regulation 19, notice is given that DINZ fixes the rate of additional levy payable in respect of failure to pay, or late payment of, amounts of levy payable on or after 1 October 2015 at 10 per cent of the amount of levy unpaid.

8. The additional levy for failure to pay or late payment may be applied by DINZ at a rate of 10 per cent on the outstanding balance following expiration of the period within which payment is required to be received by DINZ, and is payable by the DSP or PH concerned.

9. Of the DINZ levy, a portion will be paid to TBfree New Zealand as the deer industry's contribution to TBfree

New Zealand's activities under the national pest management strategy for bovine tuberculosis. A further portion will be paid to NAIT Limited as the deer industry's contribution to the National Animal Identification and Tracing scheme. The DINZ levy will be broken down as follows:

9.1 For Deer Industry New Zealand:

- Venison (fallow) 7 cents per kilogram.
- Venison (other) 14 cents per kilogram.
- Velvet (fallow) 40 cents per kilogram.
- Velvet (other) \$2.75 per kilogram.

9.2 For TBfree New Zealand:

- Venison 5 cents per kilogram.
- Velvet 50 cents per kilogram.

9.3 For NAIT Limited:

- Venison 0.50 cents per kilogram.

Dated at Wellington this 24th day of September 2015.

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