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Hi,
I like to know where the meat and fish and their place of origin is, including where added ingredients of meat and fish in my food come from.

New Zealand can pride itself on working towards continuing improvements in animal rearing and husbandry after decades of work and legislation around animal welfare and safer health standards in rearing and handling animal products for human consumption.

I find it unbelievable that pork and pork by-products are a consumer food which is not going to have the specific 'origin of food' label.

New Zealand producers are legally responsible to raise food of high standards, while imported foods are unregulated by our government who are responsible for us having healthy foods to eat from overseas.

Please include all meats and fish as having the compulsory labelling of 'origin of food'. At these times of virus diseases shown to be more easily transmitted from animal to humans, it's timely to think seriously about WHERE our food sources are originating from.

Please be fair to New Zealand producers, who abide by strict food and humane animal Care regulations to provide us with the best foods available.

To not label imported meats is unfair practise and not in the best interests of New Zealand consumers being informed of their personal food sources.

Please regulate pork, other meats and fish and by products with 'origin of food' in the new legislation.

Kind regards from Mary Forrest