



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Plants or plant products
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft amendment of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Plants or Plant Products". <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TPKM/25_03037_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TPKM/25_03037_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The amended draft regulates the quarantine requirements for the importation of plants and plant products. Based on the risk assessment results, it designates fresh fruits of <i>Helleborus</i> spp., <i>Ruscus</i> spp., <i>Eucalyptus</i> spp., and <i>Nigella</i> spp. as non-hosts of the Mediterranean fruit fly ( <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> ). Additionally, the fig wax scale ( <i>Ceroplastes rusci</i> ) has been added to the list of pests of concern.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM Nos. 2 and 11. <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 23 June 2025 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>  Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec.2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 8978 2312 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: <a href="mailto:wtosps@aphia.gov.tw">wtosps@aphia.gov.tw</a> Website: <a href="http://www.aphia.gov.tw/">http://www.aphia.gov.tw/</a>
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