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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>TÜRKIYE</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
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): Apricot, peach (including nectarine), and plum stones (except kernels)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Import Requirements for Specific Plant Products. Language(s): - Number of pages: -
6.	<p>Description of content: According to our national legislation, products with HS Code 12.12.99.95.00.14 (apricot, peach (including nectarine) and plum stones and kernels) are required to be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate for import.</p> <p>However, the importation of products under HS code 12.12.99.95.00.14 (excluding kernels) poses a plant health risk to Türkiye with respect to harmful organisms such as Plum pox potyvirus – Plum pox virus (PPV), Cherry leaf roll virus (CLRV), Prunus necrotic ringspot virus (PNRSV), and Prune dwarf virus (PDV). Accordingly, it is intended to prevent the introduction of harmful organisms into Türkiye and their spread to production areas.</p> <p>As of 10 December 2025, Türkiye will require that the phytosanitary certificate accompanying the importation of products classified under HS Code 12.12.99.95.00.14 (excluding kernels) include the phytosanitary requirements detailed below in the additional declaration section, and that the necessary supplementary documents be provided.</p> <p>For the importation of the aforementioned products into Türkiye the additional declaration section of the plant health certificate issued by the NPPO of the exporting country must include the following additional information regarding the above-mentioned harmful organisms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Additional information confirming that the product has been collected from pest-free areas or pest-free production sites; and- The product has been subjected to appropriate official tests and, based on laboratory analyses, has been confirmed to be free from harmful organisms. <p>In addition, a document or certificate demonstrating that the product has undergone post-harvest drying/processing procedures in the country of origin must be provided.</p>

<p>Furthermore, in the event of any suspicion regarding seed-transmissible harmful organisms such as PPV, CLRV, PNRSV, and PDV, laboratory analyses shall also be carried out upon their entry into Türkiye.</p> <p>Accordingly, the products classified under the HS Code mentioned above (except kernels) shall be returned or destroyed if any of the following conditions are met: they are not accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the NPPO of the exporting country containing the required additional declaration, they do not carry a document or certificate demonstrating that they have undergone post-harvest drying/processing procedures, or they are found non-compliant as a result of the phytosanitary inspection upon entry into Türkiye.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input 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.</p>
<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p>ISPM no. 13</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 10 December 2025</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 December 2025</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Address: Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu-Ankara/TURKIYE Tel: +(90 312) 258 7452 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7472 E-mail: nppoturkiye@tarimorman.gov.tr</p>

13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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