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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** NEW ZEALAND **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Ministry for Primary Industries
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):** Fresh Blueberries for Human Consumption
4.	**Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:** **[X] All trading partners** **[ ] Specific regions or countries:**
5.	**Title of the notified document:** Ministry for Primary Industries, Import Health Standard: Fresh Blueberries for Human consumption (BLUEBERRY-IHS.FP) NZ Routine notification template. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 17 https://www.mpi.govt.nz/dmsdocument/71598-Import-Health-Standard-Fresh-Blueberries-Vaccinium-spp.-for-Human-Consumption-Draft https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/NZL/26_01780_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** The import health standard: *Fresh Blueberries* (*Vaccinium* spp.) *for Human Consumption* allows for the importation of fresh blueberries into New Zealand from recognised countries. This is new market access for fresh blueberries into New Zealand. Market access has been assessed for Chile, Mexico, Morocco, Peru and United States of America. Further details can be found at our consultation webpage
7.	**Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.**
8.	**Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:** **[ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM N° 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 23, 24, 26, 28, 31, and 35. **[ ] None**

	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? **[X] Yes [ ] No** **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**
9.	**Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**
10.	**Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 3 July 2026 **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 3 July 2026
11.	**Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 3 July 2026 **[X] Trade facilitating measure**
12.	**Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 29 May 2026 **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/
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