



NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SWITZERLAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Federal Office for Agriculture (FOAG)
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): Live trees and other plants; Bulbs, roots and the like; Cut flowers and ornamental foliage (HS code(s): 06); Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS code(s): 07); Edible fruit and nuts; Peel of citrus fruit or melons (HS code(s): 08)
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: Amendment of the FOAG Ordinance on phytosanitary measures for agriculture and horticulture; SR 916.202.1. Language(s): French. Number of pages: 8 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/CHE/26_02897_00_f.pdf
6. Description of content: This notification concerns the amendment of an existing ordinance (VPM-BLW, SR 916.202.1) which specifies the provisions of the Ordinance on the Protection of Plants against Particularly Dangerous Harmful Organisms (Plant Health Ordinance, PGesV, SR 916.20, which was notified under G/SPS/N/CHE/83) to maintain the harmonization with the European plant health legislation in accordance with the bilateral agreement on trade in agricultural products (agricultural agreement) between Switzerland and the European Union. The main changes are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extension of the exemption from the import ban of potatoes for human consumption from Egypt;• Extension of the measures against <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> (McAlpine) Van der Aa;• Extension of the measures <i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i> (Smith);• Measures to eradicate and prevent the spread of <i>Popillia japonica</i> Newman;• <i>The exemption of several commodities from the list of high-risk commodities, which are subjected to a provisional import ban. For some commodities, additional import requirements have been specified.</i>
7. Objective and rationale: <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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

<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): ISPM 01; ISPM 07</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): 29 May 2026</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2026</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2026</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure Some of the planned measures will facilitate trade.</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): 20 June 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) Non-Tariff Measures Holzikofenweg 36 Tel: +(41 58) 46 40760 Fax: +(41 58) 46 40958 E-mail: sps@seco.admin.ch Website: http://www.seco.admin.ch</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>