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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry for Primary Industries
<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> Biofouling (growth of marine organisms on the wetted surface of a vessel's hull)
<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> Craft Risk Management Standard for Biofouling on Vessels Arriving to New Zealand. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 9 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_01_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_02_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_02_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_03_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_5627_03_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Craft Risk Management Standard for Biofouling on Vessels Arriving to New Zealand manages the biosecurity risk associated with biofouling on international vessels by stipulating that all vessels arrive in New Zealand with a clean hull. The definition of a clean hull is based on the vessel's itinerary in New Zealand and is detailed in the Standard. Vessels from any country (including New Zealand) arriving in New Zealand from the territory of another nation will need to provide evidence that biofouling has been managed to the defined clean hull thresholds in order to comply with the Standard. For vessels using best practices to manage biofouling, compliance with the Standard will only require extra record-keeping, so it is not expected to have a strong impact on trade.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input 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 type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None

<p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Draft Guidance Document for the Craft Risk Management Standard- Biofouling on Vessels Arriving to New Zealand</li> <li>- Risk Analysis: Vessel Biofouling (February 2011)</li> <li>- Science underpinning the thresholds proposed in the CRMS: Biofouling on vessels arriving to New Zealand (July 2014) (available in English)</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 15 May 2018  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 15 May 2018</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 May 2018  <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 February 2018</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings, 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</p>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings, 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</p>