

31 October 2019

Original: English

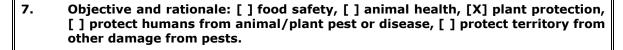
(19-7322) Page: 1/2

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u>
 - 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): Grain and seeds for consumption, feed or processing
- 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: Import Health Standard: Grain and seeds for consumption, feed or processing. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 79
 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/NZL/19 6148 00 e.pdf
- **Description of content:** MPI has issued an amendment to the Import Health Standard: *Grain and seeds for consumption, feed or processing*. The import health standard dated 25 October 2019 replaces the earlier version of the standard dated 25 January 2019. The following changes have been applied:

The import health standard contents were moved from the 2003 format into the current MPI standard format "Requirements and Guidance". Some contents have been placed in a different order due to the different "Parts" in this new format. The import requirements and the guidance information have been clearly separated throughout the import health standard. The regulated pest lists have been amended and pests listed below removed because they are listed as non-regulated in the biosecurity organisms register for imported commodities (BORIC): Alphitobius laevigatus Mezium americanum Ptinus clavipes Ptinus fur Sporisorium destruens Clover yellow mosaic virus Cochliobolus Cochliobolus nodulosus (anamorph Bipolaris aeniculatus nodulosa) chlamydosporum Red clover vein mosaic virus Lepinotus reticulatus Liposcelis bostrychophila Liposcelis paetus Peanut stunt cucumovirus The schedule for Papaver somniferum (poppy seeds) has been removed because this commodity does not have any biosecurity requirements. The country restriction has been removed for importation of the following seeds for processing at New Zealand's transitional facility: Glycine max (Soybean Seeds) Gossypium (Cotton Seeds) Lupinus (Lupin Seeds) The "laboratory testing result for regulated pests" has been included throughout the IHS for testing against regulated fungal and bacterial pathogens for grain and seeds imported under options 3 and 4 (importation of grain and seeds for processing at New Zealand transitional facilities and importation of grain and seeds for clearance on arrival). Wording for the phytosanitary certificate statement has been amended to align with ISPM 12: Phytosanitary Certificates. Errors and ambiguities have been fixed throughout the import health standard.



- 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° 2
 - [] 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): 10 November 2019

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 10 November 2019

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 November 2019
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure The "laboratory testing result for regulated pests" is an alternative measure to the "country freedom" and "pest free place of production" measures which facilitates trade when the pest freedom declarations cannot be provided by the NPPO of the exporting country. NOTE: The import requirements outlined in the previous import health standard (BNZ-GCFP-IHS, dated 25 January 2019) will be acceptable for six months after the date of entry into force of the current import health standard (GCFP.IHS, dated 25 October 2019).
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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:

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 Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/

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:

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 Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/