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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

- 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): Species of the genus *Elaeagnus* plants for planting that are eligible to be imported into New Zealand (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*, *Elaeagnus commutata*, *Elaeagnus macrophylla*, *Elaeagnus multiflora*, *Elaeagnus pungens*, *Elaeagnus umbellata*, *Elaeagnus xebbingei*)
- 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 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 404
- **6. Description of content:** The import health standard describes import specifications and entry conditions for plants for planting imported into New Zealand.
- 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** Emergency measures are being adopted to prevent the introduction into New Zealand of the high risk quarantine pest '*Xylella fastidiosa*' which may be associated with imported whole plants, cuttings and tissue cultures of species of the genus *Elaeagnus* that are eligible for import into New Zealand. This decision is based on the identification of *Elaeagnus angustifolia* as a host for *Xylella fastidiosa* in the 12<sup>th</sup> EFSA update of host plant species found susceptible to *Xylella fastidiosa* within the European Union on 11 April 2019.

MPI requires that measures to manage *Xylella fastidiosa* are required at the plant genus level, when one or more species in the genus is known to be a host of *Xylella fastidiosa*. *Xyllela fastidiosa* is listed as a quarantine pest on the *Hebe* schedule of Import Health Standard 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock and managed by measures under this schedule. The *Hebe* schedule of Import Health Standard 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock will be urgently amended to include all species of the genus *Elaeagnus* that are eligible to be imported into New Zealand to effectively manage the risk of introduction of *Xyllela fastidiosa* on this import pathway.

- 9. 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?

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:

- 10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 29 November 2019
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. 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:

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