



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): Seeds for sowing
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: Import Health Standard 155.02.05 Seeds for Sowing. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 163 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/NZL/20_2305_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This is an urgent amendment to include the species <i>Solanum melongena</i> to effectively manage the risk of PSTVd on this import pathway. The import health standard describes import specifications and entry conditions for seeds for sowing imported into New Zealand.
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 type="checkbox"/> 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 regulated pest <i>Potato spindle tuber viroid</i> (PSTVd) which may be associated with imported <i>Solanum melongena</i> seeds for sowing. This decision is based on recent interceptions of PSTVd on <i>S. melongena</i> seeds for sowing imported into New Zealand from two different countries of origin. MPI's measures to manage PSTVd on this pathway are a change to the import specification for <i>Solanum melongena</i> seeds for sowing. The <i>Solanum</i> schedule in Import Health Standard 155.02.05: Seeds for sowing which has measures in place for PSTVd has been urgently amended to include the species <i>Solanum melongena</i> to effectively manage the risk of PSTVd on this import pathway. The measures require a phytosanitary certificate with additional declarations for either a Pest Free Area, or Pest Free Place of Production or that the seeds have been officially tested and found free from PSTVd. Testing of seed for PSTVd may be conducted prior to export or on arrival in New Zealand.

<p>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <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 No. 13</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>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 31 March 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(644) 894 0431 Fax: +(644) 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/</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(644) 894 0431 Fax: +(644) 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/</p>