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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
- 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): Plants, plant products and other regulated articles that require a phytosanitary Certificate from Canada
- 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: Phytosanitary Certificate. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 1

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20 5963 00 e.pdf

Description of content: In order to avoid any disruption of trade, Canada is notifying its trading partners of a slightly revised format for Canadian phytosanitary certificates. As a result of updates to the system used to issue paper phytosanitary certificates, the revised format phytosanitary certificate issued by the CFIA will have minor layout changes compared to the current phytosanitary certificate.

The CFIA would like to stress that the revised format continues to follow the International Plant Protection Convention's model for phytosanitary certificates.

A specimen of the new Phytosanitary Certificate is attached. The version reference number "CFIA 1327 (2020/09)" is shown at the bottom left corner of all revised format phytosanitary certificates.

The new Phytosanitary Certificate will be issued by the CFIA starting from 8 December 2020. It is important to note that any phytosanitary certificate re-issued on 8 December 2020, onwards will also be under the revised format, even if the certificate that it replaces was presented in the earlier format.

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.	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 12 Phytosanitary certificates.
	[]	None
	Does	this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[X] Yes [] No	
		, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the ational standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:	
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 8 December 2020	
	Propo	sed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 8 December 2020
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 December 2020	
	[]	Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 December 2020	
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