



16 July 2021

(21-5663)

Page: 1/2

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: CHINA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: General Administration of Customs, People's Republic of China
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 of <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp.
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners The countries or regions where <i>Tomato brown rugose fruit virus</i> occurs. <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Phytosanitary Requirements of Import <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. Seeds. Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CHN/21_4613_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: <i>Tomato brown rugose fruit virus</i> (ToBRFV) is a quarantine pest of entry plants of China. According to the <i>Law of the People's Republic of China on Entry and Exit Animal and Plant Quarantine</i> and relevant regulations of its implementation regulations, <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seeds exported to China from countries or regions where ToBRFV occurs should meet the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seeds exported to China come from ToBRFV pest free areas established according to ISPM No. 4 and officially recognized. The National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of the exporting country shall indicate in the attached statement of the phytosanitary certificate of goods that "this batch of XX seeds comes from ToBRFV pest free area"; Or2. According to the official investigation, ToBRFV did not occur in the planting areas and in the growing period of <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seeds exported to China. For bulk goods, at least 3,000 representative <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> L. or <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seed samples (at least 10% for small bulk goods) were taken before export, and the seeds were detected by RT-PCR or real-time fluorescence RT-PCR for ToBRFV, and the results showed that they did not carry ToBRFV. In the additional statement of the phytosanitary certificate, it shall be stated that "the official investigation on ToBRFV has been conducted during the growing period, and ToBRFV has not occurred in the planting area. Before export, the seeds were detected by RT-PCR or real-time fluorescence RT-PCR and the results showed that they did not carry ToBRFV".
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

8.	<p>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. 11</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>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 September 2021</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 20 September 2021</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 September 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 September 2021</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>WTO/SPS National Notification and Enquiry Center of the People's Republic of China Tel: +(86 10) 5795 4645/5795 4642 E-mail: sps@customs.gov.cn</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>WTO/SPS National Notification and Enquiry Center of the People's Republic of China Tel: +(86 10) 5795 4645/5795 4642 E-mail: sps@customs.gov.cn</p>