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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

# NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

## Addendum

The following communication, received on 3 August 2021, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of <u>Australia</u>.

Notification of emergency measures for Khapra Beetle

On 4 August 2020, Australia issued a SPS notification (G/SPS/N/AUS/502) informing trading partners of its intention to implement emergency measures to safeguard Australia against the entry, establishment and spread of khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*). The emergency measures are being implemented in phases and will result in changes to import conditions for plant products and sea containers. This addendum is to notify trading partners of updates to the exclusion list for high-risk plant products.

Exclusion list:

The exclusion list of high-risk plant products is relevant to khapra beetle emergency measures under Phases 1 to 3 and Phase 6A part 1.

The following plant products exported on or after 2 August 2021 are no longer considered high-risk:

- Commercially prepared and packaged goods that have been thermally processed so that the nature of the material has been transformed from their original raw form.
- Goods that are commercially milled or ground to a powder, meal or flakes and packaged in bags less than 25kg.

Note: these goods do not require mandatory treatment from khapra beetle target risk countries but commercial consignments will require a phytosanitary certificate verifying freedom from khapra beetle.

- Breakfast cereals, instant cereal beverage mixes, couscous meal mixes and snack foods that are commercially prepared and retail packaged. \*
- Bakery and bread mixes (including whole seeds) that are commercially prepared and retail packaged. \*
- Commercially prepared and packaged herbal teas, with or without seeds (including loose leaf and tea bags).

\* An imported good is considered retail packaged if it has been commercially prepared and packaged overseas and is in a final state that requires no further processing, packaging or labelling prior to sale or use in Australia.

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Note: The exclusion list for other risk plant products has also been updated. However, this list only applies to Phase 4 of the emergency measures which has been placed on hold.

The exclusions list has been updated on our website: <u>https://www.agriculture.gov.au/pests-</u> <u>diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/urgent-actions</u>

Further information:

Information on the emergency measures for containers can be found on the department's website: <u>http://www.awe.gov.au/khapra-containers</u>

Addendums to this SPS notification will be published to notify the measures and implementation dates for subsequent phases. Complete import conditions and details regarding the measures will be outlined in the Biosecurity Import Conditions system (BICON) prior to the implementation date.

For:

- questions and information related directly to offshore khapra beetle treatments, please email <u>offshoretreatments@agriculture.gov.au</u>.
- all other enquiries regarding these measures, please email <u>imports@agriculture.gov.au</u> (please title the subject line of the email with "Plant Tier 2 khapra urgent actions").

#### This addendum concerns a:

- [] Modification of final date for comments
- [] Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
- [] Withdrawal of regulation
- [] Change in period of application of measure
- [X] Other: Additional information on the implementation of Phase 3 of emergency measures.

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