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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
<b>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):</b> Wood packaging material, including dunnage: HS Code 44.15.10 - Packing cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packing, of wood; cable-drums of wood; HS Code 44.15.20 - Pallets, box pallets and other load boards, of wood; pallet collars of wood.
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> D-98-08 Entry requirements for wood packaging material into Canada. <b>Language(s):</b> English and French. <b>Number of pages:</b> 24 and 25 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CAN/22_1300_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CAN/22_1300_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CAN/22_1300_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CAN/22_1300_00_f.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Canada is proposing revisions to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency's (CFIA) directive on wood packaging material (WPM): D-98-08 <i>Entry requirements for wood packaging materiel into Canada</i> . This directive provides the requirements for the entry of all wood packaging materials (WPM) including dunnage, pallets, or crating made from wood entering Canada from all areas except the continental United States (U.S.).  Revisions to D-98-08 are intended to mirror recent ISPM 15 updates and more importantly to include the new shipborne dunnage program, which was notified to the SPS Committee in G/SPS/N/CAN/1359 and G/SPS/N/CAN/1359/Add.1.  The shipborne dunnage program combines forest pest mitigation measures with a flexible and easy-to-apply approach that also promotes and encourages the use of ISPM 15 compliant material.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> ISPM 15: Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> The CFIA supports ISPM 15 and is committed to implementing programs promoting the use of ISPM 15-compliant wood packaging material (WPM). WPM compliant with ISPM 15 would normally be permitted to be discharged with no further restrictions, however, live pests continue to be intercepted by the CFIA on ISPM 15-stamped WPM, including shipborne dunnage. The CFIA has also intercepted WPM without ISPM 15 stamps to be co-mingled with stamped WPM, particularly with shipborne dunnage.</p> <p>The CFIA is therefore implementing, in addition to ISPM 15 requirements, a new shipborne dunnage program to safely and efficiently manage all shipborne dunnage brought into Canada.</p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <p>Directive <a href="#">D-98-08: Entry requirements for wood packaging material into Canada</a> (English)</p> <p>Directive <a href="#">D-98-08 : Exigences relatives à l'entrée au Canada des matériaux d'emballage en bois</a> (French)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> April 2022</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> May 2022</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): November 2022</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 April 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input 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><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input 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>Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Technical Barriers and Regulations Division Global Affairs Canada 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2 Canada Tel: +(343) 203 4273 Fax: +(613) 943 0346 E-mail: enquiry@international.gc.ca</p>