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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

Addendum

The following communication, received on 21 April 2022, 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 that on 28 April 2022, import conditions for seeds for sowing and a wide range of other-risk plant products exported from all countries will change. Other-risk plant products include raw seed and nuts, green coffee beans, dried fruit, vegetables, herbs and spices. The complete list of in scope other-risk plant products (including mode of arrival, end-use and exclusions) are listed on our webpage.

Other-risk plant products and seeds for sowing exported from any country on or after 28 April 2022 must be:

- inspected offshore by a government official of the exporting country; and
- certified as being free from any listed species of Trogoderma (whether live, dead or exuviae) in Australia's list of Trogoderma species of biosecurity concern.

A full list of import conditions will be available on BICON on 28 April 2022.

Failure to comply with the above requirements may result in the export of the goods and the container on-arrival in Australia.

Exclusions apply. Visit our webpage for more detail on the khapra beetle emergency measures: https://www.awe.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/policy/legislation/list-other-risk-goods-host-khapra-beetle

Further information

Information on the emergency measures for Phase 4 and Phase 5 can be found on the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment's website: https://www.awe.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/urgent-actions

Addenda 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 further information, see:

- list of other-risk plant products (including mode of arrival and end use)
- urgent actions to protect against khapra beetle (Trogoderma granarium)
- sea container measures to protect against khapra beetle (Trogoderma granarium)
- khapra beetle bulletin
- <u>BICON case</u>: Khapra beetle sea container measures
- BICON case: Non-commodity cargo clearance

For questions and information regarding sea container measures, please phone 1800 900 090 or email SPP@awe.gov.au (please title the subject line of the email with 'khapra urgent actions').

For questions and information regarding Phases 4 and 5 measures, please phone 1800 900 090 or email imports@awe.gov.au (please title the subject line of the email with 'Plant Tier 2 – khapra urgent actions').

For questions and information related directly to offshore khapra beetle treatments, please email offshoretreatments@agriculture.gov.au.

This addendum concerns a:

[]	Modification of final date for comments
[]	Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
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