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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: UNITED KINGDOM

 If applicable, name of local government involved:
 - 2. Agency responsible: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
 - 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): All goods listed in Schedule 6 parts A, B and C; Schedule 7 parts A and B and Schedule 9 of the retained Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072
 - 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:** The Pests of Plants (Authorisations) (Amendment) Regulations 2022. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/GBR/22 6755 00 x.pdf

Description of content: This legislation will amend certain measures in these regulations in England, Wales and Scotland (Great Britain) to provide an improved application process by refining the operation and streamlining the provision of information for scientific authorisations.

The import requirements will be simplified by removing the requirement for the Letter of Authority (LoA) to be endorsed by the National Plant Protection Organisations (NPPO's) of the country of origin. Changes will also be made to the LoA to simplify these documents and streamline the information requirements removing the need for certain information to be obtained and reducing the administrative burden on authorisation holders and the Great Britain NPPO.

The amendments apply to LoAs issued on or after 1 November 2022. The introductions or movements of material under LoAs issued before 1 November 2022 will remain valid until 31 December 2022.

- 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):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

[X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 3 October 2022Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 3 October 2022
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 November 2022
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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