



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry for Primary Industries
<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> Dried and preserved plant materials
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Import Health Standard - Dried and preserved plant materials. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 29 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13299_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13299_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> MPI is proposing to amend the Import Health Standard for Dried and preserved plant materials. We propose removing the import requirements for all consignments of Pacific-style handwoven mats or tapa cloth mats (including fine mats) from the standard. This involves: 1. Removing the requirement for an official phytosanitary certificate or inspection in New Zealand; and 2. Removing the requirement for mats to be made from specific plants.
<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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM 5, ISPM 12, ISPM <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  Risk management proposal  <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13299_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13299_01_e.pdf</a>  (available in English)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be notified at the end of the consultation process.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be notified at the end of the consultation process.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be notified at the end of the consultation process.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 14 December 2023</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand.  Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz">sps@mpi.govt.nz</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand.  Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz">sps@mpi.govt.nz</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</a></p>