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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries
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): Grain and seeds for consumption, feed, and processing
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: <u>Import health standard: Grain and Seeds for Consumption, Feed or Processing</u> . Language(s): English. Number of pages: 80 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/NZL/24_02012_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This notification relates to amendments to the import health standard: Grain and Seeds for Consumption, Feed or Processing following public consultation that involve: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• requiring maize grain imported into New Zealand to be dried to a moisture content of 14% or less before export;• removing 11 regulated pests for the <i>Zea mays</i> pest list, along with the requirements to those pest;• removing phytosanitary measures for three regulated pests for import of hulled <i>Cannabis sativa</i> seeds;• expanding issuance authority for sampling certificates. <p>This amendment will facilitate trade of <i>Zea mays</i> and hulled <i>Cannabis sativa</i> seeds, provide new trade opportunities, and reduce the costs for importers.</p>
7.	Objective and rationale: <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.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <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 No. 5, ISPM No. 12, ISPM No. 24 <input type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 11 March 2024</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 11 March 2024</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 March 2024</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable - can comment at anytime.</p> <p>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:</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: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</p>
13.	<p>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:</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: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</p>