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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Revision

1. Notifying Member: <u>TÜRKIYE</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
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): Plants, plant products and other substances that are subject to plant health and quarantine
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: Regulation on Plant Quarantine. Language(s): Turkish. Number of pages: 172 https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/GKGM/Duyuru/568/Mevzuat-Taslagi-Bitki-Karantinası-Yonetmeligi https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TUR/24_03561_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: The "Plant Quarantine Regulation" was reviewed and updated in order to modernise measures taking into account the current findings made in Türkiye and international plant protection organizations on phytosanitary and quarantine issues, to prevent problems that may arise due to harmful organisms in import and export, to eliminate the problems seen in practice and ensure uniformity, to adapt to developing technologies and changing Quarantine conditions, to enhance more effective measures for the protection of human, animal and environmental health. The purpose of this Regulation is to regulate the procedures and principles regarding the phytosanitary and quarantine measures of plants, plant products and other substances entering and exiting Türkiye. This Regulation covers the harmful organisms that are banned to enter into Türkiye and official controls to be carried out for phytosanitary purposes during the entry and exit of plants, plant products and other substances to and from the Customs Territory of the Republic of Türkiye. Products brought into a free zone from another country or sent from a free zone to another country shall be subject to the provisions of this Regulation. The Regulation includes definitions, Official Controls, Registration to the Plant Quarantine Registration and Tracking System, main issues related to entry and exit customs authorities, exports, plant health certificates, sampling and analysis, administrative sanctions, harmful organisms that are subject to quarantine and that hinder importation,

<p>harmful organisms that have limited existence in Türkiye, that are subject to quarantine and that hinder importation, harmful organisms that are subject to quarantine and that hinder importation in case they are found on some plants or plant products, specific requirements for importation of plants and plant products, quarantined harmful organisms that constitute an obstacle to import, quarantined harmful organisms that are found limited in Türkiye and constitute an obstacle to import, plants, plant products and other substances prohibited from entering Türkiye, specific conditions required for the import of plants and plant products.</p> <p>The main changes throughout the Draft Regulation are set out in the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration in the Plant Quarantine Registration and Tracking System; • Products subject to a pest risk analysis; • Restrictions on the entry of high-risk plants, plant products and other substances; • Re-export controls. <p>In addition, the annexes of the Draft Regulation were updated and new harmful organisms were added.</p> <p>Draft Regulation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annex-1/ Harmful Organisms Subject to Quarantine that Hinder to Import, A-Pest Organisms Subject to Quarantine whose Existence in Turkey is Unknown and Constitutes an Obstacle to Import; - Annex-2/ Pest Organisms Subject to Quarantine which are Found in Turkey in a Restricted Manner and which Hinder to Import; - Annex-4/Special Requirements for the Import of Plants and Herbal Products have been updated according to today's phytosanitary conditions; - Annex-11- Free Zone Circulation Form has been added to the Draft Regulation.
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 12</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><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>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Law No. 5996 dated 11 June 2010 of Veterinary Services, Plant Health, Food and Feed.</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 29 November 2024 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 29 November 2024</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): The Draft Regulation shall enter into force sixty days after the date of publication in order to prevent the transmission of newly emerging harmful organisms and to protect plant health of Türkiye.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 August 2024

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