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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

### *Addendum*

The following communication, received on 1 November 2022, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of New Zealand.

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#### Proposed amendment to import health standard *Seeds for Sowing* (155.02.05)

Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation

The measures being adopted are:

- Import requirements for small seed lots: small seed lots of species eligible to import under the specific requirements in the import health standard for *Capsicum* (capsicum), *Solanum* (*Solanum melongena* only) (eggplant), *Solanum lycopersicum* (tomato) and *Zea* (corn) can be tested as composite samples for the presence of quarantine pests, offshore prior to export or on-arrival in New Zealand;
- A phytosanitary certificate as a requirement for *Raphanus sativus* (radish) seeds for sowing;
- An option for *Phaseolus* (bean) and *Pisum* (pea) seeds to be tested for the presence of quarantine pests, offshore prior to export;
- Addition of *Matthiola incana* and *Cyperus papyrus* to the list of species approved for import as pelleted seed;
- Removal of the following pests from pest lists and measures for these pests: *Rhizopus maydis* and *Phaeocytostroma ambiguum* on *Zea* (corn) seed, *Cercospora loti* on *Lotus* (lotus) seed, *Peronosclerospora sorghi* and *Sclerospora graminicola* on *Panicum* (panicum) seed.

Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation

An additional trade-enabling option has been added to the import requirements for small seed lots of species eligible to import under the specific requirements in the import health standard for *Capsicum* (capsicum), *Solanum* (*Solanum melongena* only) (eggplant), *Solanum lycopersicum* (tomato) and *Zea* (corn) in the import health standard *Seeds for Sowing*.

- The option is for small seed lots to be produced from parent plants that are officially tested for the presence of quarantine virus pests and inspected during the growing season for quarantine bacterial pests. The national plant protection organisation (NPPO) of the exporting country is required to provide an additional declaration on the phytosanitary certificate to endorse that the measure has been performed according to the requirements of the import health standard.

There is also a significant minor amendment that is being incorporated into this amendment. The additional declaration for the quarantine pest *Anguina tritici* in the specific requirements for *Triticum* seeds for sowing has been changed to:

"The *Triticum* seeds have been:

inspected microscopically in accordance with official procedures and *Anguina tritici* was not detected". Previously, this declaration required that "no *Anguina tritici* spores were detected", which is irrelevant to this pest as it is a nematode.

[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/NZL/22\\_7374\\_00\\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/NZL/22_7374_00_e.pdf)

**This addendum concerns a:**

- Modification of final date for comments
- Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- Other:

**Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)**

- Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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