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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

### Addendum

The following communication, received on 6 October 2017, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

#### Final Rule: Importation of Fresh Persimmons From New Zealand Into the United States [Docket No. APHIS-2015-0052]

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is amending the regulations concerning the importation of fruits and vegetables to allow the importation of fresh persimmons from New Zealand into the United States. As a condition of entry, the persimmons must be produced in accordance with a systems approach that includes requirements for orchard certification, orchard pest control, post-harvest safeguards, fruit culling, traceback, sampling, and treatment with either hot water or modified atmosphere treatment. The persimmons will also have to be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate with an additional declaration stating that they were produced under, and meet all the components of, the systems approach and were inspected and found to be free of quarantine pests in accordance with the requirements. This action allows the importation of fresh persimmons from New Zealand while continuing to protect against the introduction of plant pests into the United States.

Federal Register Vol. 82, No. 190 Tuesday, 3 October 2017, pages 45955-45957.

<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=APHIS-2015-0052-0009>

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- ☐ Modification of final date for comments
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- ☐ Other:

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

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