

NATIONAL REPORTING OBLIGATION

Make available the **rationale** for phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions

References in the IPPC: Article VII.2(c):

Contracting parties shall, on request, make available to any contracting party the rationale for phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions.

Type: On request¹

Method: Bilateral communication only but public posting on the IPP is encouraged²

Responsible entity: Contracting party

Receiving entity: On request, to any contracting party

Languages (Article XIX of the IPPC): Article XIX.3(e) sets out that requests for information from contact points as well as replies to such requests, but not including any attached documents, shall be in at least one of FAO Languages.

Reason:

- ◆ To ensure Contracting Parties can safely trade with minimal negative impact on trade and research.
- ◆ To ensure that unjustified measures are not in place.
- ◆ To result in minimum impediment of international movement of plants, plant products and other regulated articles.

Remarks:

- ◆ There is a global lack of PRAs on "old" regulated pests, on pathways and commodities.

CPM adopted procedures:

- ◆ When requested to provide the rationale for certain phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions, Contracting Parties should provide information as to the compliance of such measures with the requirements set out in Article VI.1(a) and (b) for quarantine and regulated non-quarantine pests.
- ◆ It is suggested that one of FAO languages is to be used in reporting to facilitate transparency and communication.

1/ Type:
Basic = an obligation regardless of circumstances
Event-driven = triggered by a specific event
On request = triggered by a request

2/ Method:
Public = reported via the International Phytosanitary Portal (www.ippc.int)
Bilateral = reported in direct communication between countries



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