



NROs Update

NATIONAL REPORTING
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The NRO Year of Phytosanitary legislation (April 2017 – March 2018)

In July 2014, during the first meeting of the National Reporting Obligations Advisory Group, it was agreed that every year would be dedicated to a different national reporting obligation.

The period up to CPM-10 in 2015 became the NRO Year of the IPPC Official Contact Point. The period up to CPM-11 (April 2015 / March 2016) became the NRO Year of the Organization of the NPPO. The period up to CPM-12 (April 2016 / March 2017) became the NRO Year of Pest reporting. All three campaigns raised awareness and contributed into the increased reporting in those areas by contracting parties.

Following a recommendation from the Capacity Development Committee, IPPC contracting parties agreed in April 2017, during CPM-12, to concentrate efforts on Phytosanitary legislation (requirements, restrictions and prohibitions). Therefore the period leading up to CPM-13 will become the NRO Year of Phytosanitary legislation (April 2017 to March 2018).

The "NROs UPDATE" will provide general information on the topic of phytosanitary legislation, related recommendations, advice for IPP editors and statistics. The objective is to increase general awareness of this NRO ensuring there is an increase in number and a better quality of reports uploaded by countries on the International Phytosanitary Portal.

The Year of Phytosanitary legislation

This series of newsletters Vol. 4 will be published during the period: April 2017 – March 2018 and will mainly focus on issues relevant to reporting phytosanitary legislation.

Please make sure you read them all.



Phytosanitary legislation – overview

National Reporting Obligation: Publish and transmit phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions

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

Contracting parties shall, immediately upon their adoption, publish and transmit phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions to any contracting party or parties that they believe may be directly affected by such measures.

Type of report: Basic = an obligation regardless of circumstances

Method of reporting: Public = reported via the International Phytosanitary Portal (www.ippc.int)

Responsible entity: IPPC contracting party

Receiving entity: Any contracting party or parties that contracting parties believe may be directly affected by such measures.

Languages (Article XIX of the IPPC):

- Art XIX 3 (b) sets out that cover notes giving bibliographical data on documents transmitted according to Article VII paragraph 2 (b) shall be in at least one of the official languages of FAO.
- Art XIX 3 (c) sets forth that information provided according to Article VII 2 (b) shall be in at least one of the official languages of FAO.

Reason for reporting:

- To facilitate safe and efficient international movement of plant, plant products and other regulated articles. To result in minimum impediment of international movement of plants, plant products and other regulated articles.



Did you know?

All new NRO learning material, including the NRO Guide, table summaries, leaflets and factsheets, are now available in Spanish and Russian. You can find them here (look for files marked: „Es” for Spanish and „Ru”for Russian).



Statistics on Phytosanitary legislation on the IPP (data valid: 15 May 2017)

Phytosanitary legislation

Region	Number of contracting parties	Number of reporting parties	Number of reports
Africa	50	27	77
Asia	25	17	106
Europe	45	32	97
Latin America and Caribbean	33	22	119
Near East	15	8	37
North America	2	2	6
South West Pacific	13	7	40
Total	183	115	482



Phytosanitary legislation		April 2017	
Region	Reporting party	New	Updated
Africa	Swaziland	1	0
Asia	-	0	0
Europe	-	0	0
Latin America and Caribbean	Jamaica	1	0
Near East	Oman	0	1
North America	-	0	0
South West Pacific	New Zealand	0	2
Total		2	3



Changes among Contact Points in March and April 2017

In March and April 2017 new Contact Points were registered for:
Bolivia, Oman, Sierra Leone.



Think before your travel – understand the consequences of your actions

How often do we travel and buy wooden curios, flowers or agricultural products to take home to your friends and family? THINK before you do this – you could be taking pests back to your country that could result in a very significant negative economic, food security or environmental impact.

Prevention is better than cure
Be responsible for your actions!

THE ACRONYM FINDER

CP	IPPC Contracting Party
CPM	Commission on Phytosanitary Measures
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
IPP	International Phytosanitary Portal (www.ippc.int)
IPPC	International Plant Protection Convention
NPPO	National plant protection organization
NROs	National Reporting Obligations
NROAG	National Reporting Obligations Advisory Group
OCP	Official Contact Point of a Contracting Party to the Convention
RPPO	Regional plant protection organization

USEFUL LINKS

The role of the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/role-ippc-official-contact-points/>

A nomination form for the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ippc-official-contact-point-notification-form/>

A nomination form for the IPP editor

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ipp-editor-nomination-request-nppos/>

Guide to National Reporting Obligations (Version 1.1, May 2016)

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/80405/>

General info on NROs

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/>

NROs UPDATE: previous editions

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-official-contact-point/>

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-organization-of-the-nppo/>

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-nro-year-of-the-pest-reports/>

Summary of NRO reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/>

List of IPPC Contact Points

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/contactpoints/>

Summary of pest reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/pestreport/>



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