

## DRAFT SPECIFICATION FORM FOR PROPOSED

### IPPC GUIDES AND TRAINING MATERIALS

#### 1. Submitted by:

Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (IC)

#### 2. Recommendation supported by:

**2021-11:** IC Team on NRO requested that the IC recommend this topic to CPM

**2021-11:** IC\_VM17: IC agreed to recommend that CPM-16 (2022) add this topic to List of Implementation and Capacity Development Topics; priority 1

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#### 4. Title

National Reporting Obligations Guide

#### 5. Type of IPPC Guide or training material

The proposal is to revise the guide to National Reporting Obligations which was originally published in 2016.

#### 6. Convention articles, ISPMs and CPM recommendations to be addressed by the proposed IPPC Guide or training material

Articles of the IPPC: VIII.2, IV.4, VII.2(b), VII.2(d), VII.2(i), IV.2(b), IV.4, VII.2(c), VII.2(f), VII.2(j), VII.6 and VIII 1(c)

**ISPM 8:** *Determination of pest status in an area* which provides additional guidance on this reporting obligation, including the definition of the term ‘pest status’.

**ISPM 13:** *Guidance for the notification of non-compliance and emergency action* which sets out guidelines for the notification of non-compliance.

**ISPM 17:** *Pest reporting* which set out the responsibilities of and requirements for CPs in reporting the occurrence, outbreak and spread of pests in areas for which they are responsible.

#### 7. Scope

The NRO guide is designed to help IPPC Contracting parties to meet their obligations as outlined in the IPPC. It provides specific guidance to National IPPC Contact Points and editors along with technical instructions for interacting with the IPP

The revision will modernize the guide and bring it in line with revised or recently adopted ISPMs and recent decisions of the CPM, IC and IC Team on NROs

## **8. Purpose**

CPM-6 (2011) agreed to the IPPC Secretariat's recommendations to improve reporting by CPs, particularly through the IPP, as outlined in Appendix 6 to the Report of CPM-6 (2011), paragraph 90. In April 2016, CPM-11 (2016) adopted General and Specific IPPC National Reporting Obligations Procedures that Contracting Parties should follow while reporting NROs outlined in the IPPC. The General procedures consolidate decisions related to NROs made by the CPM in previous years and new guidance based on advice received from the NROAG. The Specific procedures details NROs provisions laid down in the text of the Convention and provides additional procedures agreed by the CPM where experience has shown a need to improve clarity and fill gaps when the Convention does not provide adequate guidance.

The NROs Guide was created based on the General and Specific IPPC NROs procedures and designed to provide guidance on how to use the IPP. As of 2021, this NROs guide has been used for 5 years and the content should be revised to comply with the implementation of new and/or revised ISPMs and decisions of the CPM, IC and C Team on NROs. For example, with the revision of ISPM 8, the categories of pest status changed. The IPPC Secretariat updated the drop-down menu on IPP which was populated with the values of the pest status categories from ISPM 8 to facilitate the submission of pest reports by the Official Contact Point.

## **9. Content for the IPPC Guide or training material**

The National Reporting Obligations Guide (2016) should be revised to:

- Include the revised pest status categories in ISPM 8 (2021)
- Update the description of the procedures for submitting NRO reports and the instructions for using the NRO subpage on the IPP
- Provide guidance on the format of lists of regulated pests
- Consider relevant technical resources published since 2016
- Consider recommendations of the IC and the IC Team on NRO

## **10. References and supporting materials**

**ISPM 5:** *Glossary of phytosanitary terms*. Rome, IPPC Secretariat, FAO.

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/622/>

**CPM 11 (2016)** *Report on National Reporting Obligations - NROs Quality Control Guidelines*

[https://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2016/02/26\\_CPM\\_2016\\_April\\_NRO\\_Qualitycontrol-2016-02-15.pdf](https://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2016/02/26_CPM_2016_April_NRO_Qualitycontrol-2016-02-15.pdf)

**CPM 11 (2016)** *IPPC National Reporting Obligations Procedures*.

[https://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2016/02/28\\_CPM\\_2016\\_April\\_NRO\\_Procedures-2016-02-18\\_withTables.pdf](https://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2016/02/28_CPM_2016_April_NRO_Procedures-2016-02-18_withTables.pdf)

**IPPC Secretariat.** *Guide to National Reporting Obligations* (Version 1.1, May 2016)

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

**IPPC Secretariat.** *Pest Status Guide* (2021) <https://doi.org/10.4060/cb6103en>

**IPPC Secretariat.** *NROs e-Learning course* (2016) <https://www.ippc.int/en/e-learning/>

**IPPC Secretariat.** Reports and work documents of the IC Team on NROs <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/capacity-development/capacity-development-committee/ic-sub-group/ic-team-for-national-reporting-obligations-nros/>

#### **11. Financial and in-kind contributions (*optional*)**

No financial or in-kind contributions have been identified to undertake this activity.

#### **12. Selection criteria for working group experts (*optional*)**

The following criteria should be used for selecting working group members:

##### **Practical expertise and knowledge in one or more of the following areas:**

- Extensive working knowledge of the IPPC, its objectives, its reporting obligations and ISPMs
- IPPC Contact point
- NPPOs or RPPOs
- Phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions
- Pest report
- Regulated pests
- Non-compliance with phytosanitary certification
- National reporting obligations systems