PT 42:
Irradiation treatment for
 Zeugodacus tau
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This phytosanitary treatment was adopted by the Sixteenth Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures in 2022.
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**ISPM 28**
Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests

**PT 42: Irradiation treatment for *Zeugodacus tau***
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**Scope of the treatment**
This treatment describes the irradiation of fruits and vegetables at 72 Gy or 85 Gy minimum absorbed dose to prevent the emergence of adults of *Zeugodacus tau* at the stated efficacy.2

**Treatment description**

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<td>Active ingredient</td>
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<td>Treatment type</td>
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<td>Target pest</td>
<td><em>Zeugodacus tau</em> (Walker, 1849) (Diptera: Tephritidae)</td>
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<td>Target regulated articles</td>
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**Treatment schedules**

**Schedule 1:** Minimum absorbed dose of 72 Gy to prevent the emergence of adults of *Zeugodacus tau*.

There is 95% confidence that the treatment according to this schedule prevents emergence of the adult stage from not less than 99.9933% of eggs and larvae of *Zeugodacus tau*.

**Schedule 2:** Minimum absorbed dose of 85 Gy to prevent the emergence of adults of *Zeugodacus tau*.

There is 95% confidence that the treatment according to this schedule prevents emergence of the adult stage from not less than 99.9970% of eggs and larvae of *Zeugodacus tau*.

This treatment should be applied in accordance with the requirements of ISPM 18 (*Guidelines for the use of irradiation as a phytosanitary measure*).

**Other relevant information**
Because irradiation may not result in outright mortality, inspectors may encounter live but non-viable *Zeugodacus tau* (larvae or puparia) during the inspection process. This does not imply a failure of the treatment.

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1 Species names is in accordance with Doorenweerd et al. (2018), following the elevation of the subgenus *Bactrocera* (*Zeugodacus*) to genus level (Virgilio et al., 2015).
2 The scope of phytosanitary treatments does not include issues related to pesticide registration or other domestic requirements for contracting parties’ approval of treatments. Treatments adopted by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures may not provide information on specific effects on human health or food safety, which should be addressed using domestic procedures before contracting parties approve a treatment. In addition, potential effects of treatments on product quality are considered for some host commodities before their international adoption. However, evaluation of any effects of a treatment on the quality of commodities may require additional consideration. There is no obligation for a contracting party to approve, register or adopt the treatments for use in its territory.
The Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments based its evaluation of this treatment on the research reported by Zhan et al. (2015), which determined the efficacy of irradiation as a treatment for this pest in *Cucurbita maxima*.

The efficacy of schedules 1 and 2 was calculated based on a total of 48 700 and 107 135 third-instar larvae treated, respectively, with no adult emergence; the control adult emergence was above 90% in all confirmatory trials conducted.

Extrapolation of treatment efficacy to all fruits and vegetables was based on knowledge and experience that radiation dosimetry systems measure the actual radiation dose absorbed by the pest independent of host commodity, and evidence from research studies on a variety of pests and commodities. These include studies on the following pests and hosts: *Anastrepha fraterculus* (*Eugenia pyriformis*, *Malus pumila* and *Mangifera indica*), *Anastrepha ludens* (Citrus *paradisi*, *Citrus sinensis*, *Mangifera indica* and artificial diet), *Anastrepha obliqua* (*Averrhoa carambola*, *Citrus sinensis* and *Psidium guajava*), *Anastrepha suspensa* (*Averrhoa carambola*, *Citrus paradisi* and *Mangifera indica*), *Bactrocera tryoni* (*Citrus sinensis*, *Solanum lycopersicum*, *Malus pumila*, *Mangifera indica*, *Persea americana* and *Prunus avium*), *Cydia pomonella* (*Malus pumila* and artificial diet), *Grapholita molesta* (*Malus pumila* and artificial diet), *Pseudococcus jackbeardsleyi* (*Cucurbita sp.* and *Solanum tuberosum*) and *Tribolium confusum* (*Triticum aestivum*, *Hordeum vulgare* and *Zea mays*) (Bustos et al., 2004; Gould and von Windeguth, 1991; Hallman, 2004a, 2004b, 2013; Hallman and Martinez, 2001; Hallman et al., 2010; Jessup et al., 1992; Mansour, 2003; Tunçbilek and Kansu, 1966; von Windeguth, 1986; von Windeguth and Iqbal, 1987; Zhan et al., 2016). It is recognized, however, that treatment efficacy has not been tested for all potential fruit and vegetable hosts of the target pest. If evidence becomes available to show that the extrapolation of the treatment to cover all hosts of this pest is incorrect, the treatment will be reviewed.

References

The present annex may refer to ISPMs. ISPMs are available on the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP) at www.ippc.int/core-activities/standards-setting/ispsms.


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**Publication history**

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2017-06 Treatment submitted in response to 2017-02 call for treatments (*Irradiation treatment for Bactrocera tau*).

2018-01 Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments (TPPT) reviewed the submission (virtual meeting) and requested further information from submitter.

2018-05 Submitter supplied additional information.

2018-05 Standards Committee (SC) added the topic *Irradiation treatment for Bactrocera tau* (2017-025) to the TPPT work programme.

2018-06 TPPT revised the draft and recommended it to SC for consultation.


2019-01 SC approved the draft for consultation via e-decision (2019_eSC_May_05).

2019-07 First consultation.

2020-02 (second meeting) TPPT revised and recommended the draft for second consultation.

2020-07 TPPT approved the responses to first consultation comments.

2021-03 SC approved for second consultation via e-decision (2021_eSC_May_13).

2021-07 Second consultation.

2021-10 TPPT revised and recommended to the SC for approval for adoption by the CPM.

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IPPC

The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) is an international plant health agreement that aims to protect global plant resources and facilitate safe trade. The IPPC vision is that all countries have the capacity to implement harmonized measures to prevent pest introductions and spread, and minimize the impacts of pests on food security, trade, economic growth, and the environment.

Organization

- There are over 180 IPPC contracting parties.
- Each contracting party has a national plant protection organization (NPPO) and an Official IPPC contact point.
- 10 regional plant protection organizations (RPPOs) have been established to coordinate NPPOs in various regions of the world.
- The IPPC Secretariat liaises with relevant international organizations to help build regional and national capacities.
- The Secretariat is provided by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

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