

7.6. IPPC commodity standards: an overview and call for information material for new commodity standards



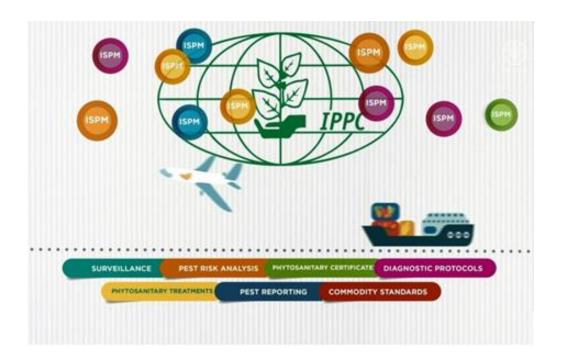




### **Purpose**

The key elements of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) work are to protect plant-based agriculture, safeguard the environment and natural resources against invasive pests and facilitate safe trade.

**Commodity Standards** are crucial for achieving these objectives.









The purpose of commodity standards is to support the development of phytosanitary import requirements that are technically justified and facilitate safe trade.

Included amongst the key programmes of the IPPC development agenda for 2020-2030, the adoption of commodity-specific standards is expected to facilitate and accelerate trade negotiations and simplify safe trade in plant products by 2030.



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As any other ISPM, commodity-specific standards will be based on scientific methods and evidence.

They offer a strategic value, **harmonizing phytosanitary measures**, optimizing efficiency of resources and providing consistency to Contracting Parties.

No additional obligations are imposed on importing countries by commodity standards, as highlighted in ISPM 46: Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures.









- > The strategic value and purpose of commodity standards included:
- facilitation of safe trade
- harmonization of measures
- optimize efficiency of resource usage
- support and assistance to developing countries
- maintaining the relevance and influence of the IPPC
- The development, adoption and implementation of commodity standards will NOT alter the sovereign rights and fundamental obligations under the IPPC and WTO-SPS Agreement
- The **regulation of pests** will remain firmly based on **pest risk analysis** and subject to <u>technical justification</u>
- Additional obligations will not be imposed on importing countries







#### ISPM 46: Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures

- Commodity standards should be considered by CPs when developing phytosanitary import requirements
- Such standards contain lists of pests and corresponding options for phytosanitary measures
- The lists of pests include those known to be associated with the specified commodity and intended use
- The measures listed are those that satisfy minimum criteria for inclusion in the standard
- The lists of pests and options for phytosanitary measures are not intended to be exhaustive and are subject to review and amendment

Specific commodity standards will be presented as annexes to this standard







### The governance



#### **Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM)**



**IPPC Standards Committee (SC)** 



#### IPPC Technical Panel on Commodity Standards (TPCS)

(Established by CPM-14 (2019)







#### **Timeline**



The CPM was cancelled due to Covid-19.



- > The CPM-15 adopted the IPPC Strategic Framework (SF) 2020-2030
- Commodity standards is one of the eight <u>development agenda items</u> of the IPPC SF 2020-2030
- The topic International movement of mango (Mangifera indica) fruit was submitted through the 2021 IPPC Call for topics
- > The SC approved the final text of **Specification TP 06 for the TPCS**











**<u>February:</u>** The IPPC secretariat organized a <u>Webinar on Commodity Standards</u>

April: The CPM-16 adopted the ISPM 46 (Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures)

- > Commodity-specific standards will be produced as annexes to the ISPM 46.
- > The CPM-16 added the mango fruits topic to the **List of topics for IPPC standards (LOT)**, with priority 1.

May: The Standards Committee (SC) approved the draft specification on International movement of mango (Mangifera indica) fruit for consultation period. Currently, there is only this topic in the TPCS work programme.

- Members of the TPCS were selected by the SC
- > The first virtual meeting of the TPCS was held on 31 May 2022 (link to the TPCS webpage)

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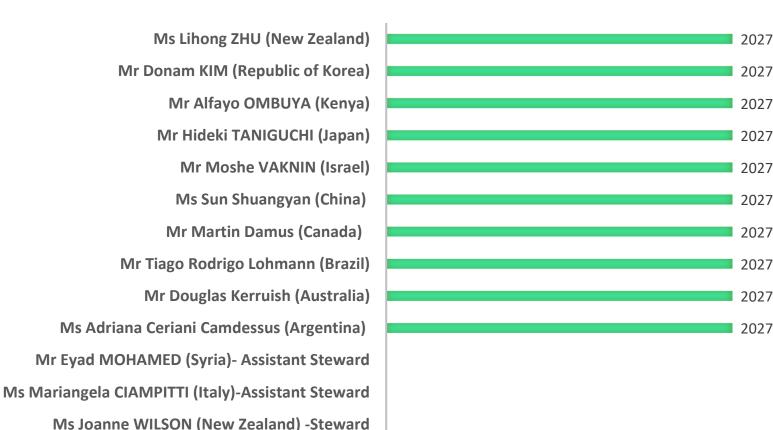






#### **IPPC Technical Panel on Commodity Standards (TPCS) Membership**

■ End of current term





January 2023 – Tokyo, Japan First TPCS face to face meeting







#### **List of Topics for IPPC Standards:**

- 8 topics under the work programme of the TPCS (as of 22 April 2024)
  - International movement of *Mangifera indica* fruit (2021-011), priority 1 (2024: approved for second consultation)
  - International movement of seeds of Phaseolus vulgaris (2023-008), priority 1
  - International movement of fresh taro (Colocasia esculenta) for consumption (2023-023), priority 1
  - International movement of fresh banana (Musa paradisiaca) fruit (2023-028), priority 1
  - International movement of Citrus fruit (2023-019), priority 1
  - International movement of Vitus vinifera fruit (2023-018), priority 2
  - International movement of Malus domestica fruit for consumption (2023-024), priority 2
  - International movement of fresh orange (Citrus sinensis) fruit (2023-027), priority 2
- 7 topics added to the work programme of the TPCS as a result from the 2023 IPPC call for topics and CPM-18



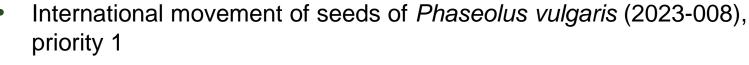




#### **Call for information material**



Call for information material for:



- International movement of fresh taro (Colocasia esculenta) for consumption (2023-023), priority 1
- International movement of fresh banana (Musa paradisiaca) fruit (2023-028), priority 1
- International movement of Citrus fruit (2023-019), priority 1



From July to 10 September 2024

\*Submission Form for Information Materials for Commodity Standards (Agreed by the Standards Committee in May 2022 and 2024)









## Next steps - 2025

- Webinar on IPPC commodity standards (1st quarter)
- Tentative 1 draft commodity standard presented for adoption: the first commodity specific standard under ISPM 46: Draft the Annex International movement of mango (Mangifera indica) fruit to ISPM 46 (Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures)
- Tentative 2 draft commodity standard presented for first consultation: Pending the call for information material and TPCS meetings



# Thank you

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