



## **SPECIFICATION 32**

### **Review of ISPMs**

**(2006)**

#### **Title**

Review of ISPMs (2006-012).

#### **Reason for the review**

ICPM-7 (2005) requested that “the Standards Committee, in coordination with the Glossary Working Group and the Secretariat, to develop a proposal for the first meeting of the CPM on technical adjustments to definitions or other text in ISPMs to promote consistency among standards, taking into account their evolution over time” (Report of ICPM-7, paragraph 97.9).

The Standards Committee (SC), at its meeting in April 2005, followed up on this by asking the Glossary Working Group (GWG), while doing a review of the definitions sections of standards (as requested in section 97.8 of the ICPM-7 report), to also give consideration to the need of revision of the standards, and to provide advice to the next SC meeting.

In carrying out this task, the GWG felt that a more complete review of ISPMs was needed and suggested a technical consultant be hired to conduct an initial review. The results of this initial review would be submitted to a group of experts to determine which revisions are necessary and a strategy for their revision.

#### **Scope and purpose**

To review existing ISPMs to determine which require revisions, ensure terms are correctly used throughout existing ISPMs, ensure changes made to terms are reflected in these existing ISPMs and to ensure changes to terms are reflected in draft ISPMs.

#### **Tasks**

The experts should:

- (1) Review the preliminary work to be done by a technical consultant in relation to existing ISPMs to identify areas needing correction (terms of reference for consultant to be developed by the IPPC Secretariat).
- (2) Make recommendations on ISPMs requiring extensive/non editorial revision by:
  - a) identifying need for revision

- b) drafting as appropriate specifications for ISPMs requiring revision
  - c) presenting recommendations and specifications to the Standards Committee.
- (3) Ensure terms are correctly used throughout existing ISPMs and that changes made to terms are reflected in these existing ISPM by:
- a) reviewing editorial aspects of how changes in terminology have affected adopted ISPMs
  - b) making recommendations as appropriate to the SC on the use of the term *country of origin* in ISPMs 11 and 20
  - c) making recommendations as appropriate to the SC on changes to be made in ISPMs (taking into account ISPMs to be considered by separate expert drafting groups, such as ISPMs No. 7, 12 and 15) and on a possible process to be used for approval of the changes (including the fast-track process, as appropriate)
  - d) reviewing the use of terms “must”, “shall”, “should” and “may” as decided at CPM-1 (2006).

### **Provision of resources**

Funding for the meeting may be provided from sources other than the regular programme of the IPPC (FAO). As recommended by ICPM-2 (1999), whenever possible, those participating in standard setting activities voluntarily fund their travel and subsistence to attend meetings. Participants may request financial assistance, with the understanding that resources are limited and the priority for financial assistance is given to developing country participants.

### **Collaborator**

To be determined.

### **Steward**

Please refer to the list of topics for IPPC standards posted on the IPP (see <https://www.ippc.int/index.php?id=207776>).

### **Expertise**

For the preliminary study, one consultant having knowledge of ISPMs and IPPC terminology, outside of the membership of the Technical Panel for the Glossary. For the review, experience in reviewing glossary terms and the glossary of phytosanitary terms.

### **Participants**

To be determined.

### **References**

The IPPC, relevant ISPMs and other national, regional and international standards and agreements as may be applicable to the tasks, and discussion papers submitted in relation to this work.

**Publication history**

*This is not an official part of the specification*

2006-04 CPM-1 added topic Review of ISPMs (and minor modifications to ISPMs resulting from the review) Remaining ISPMs to be reviewed: 5 (some terms), 5 (Sup 2), 9, 16, 17, 20, 23, 25 (2006-012)

2006-03 SC approved specification

2011-11 reformatted

2011-12 applied consistency changes in line with the decision made by SC May 2009

2012-11 SC replaced task regarding implementation issues

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