

**Conditions For The Importation of PLANTS & PLANT PARASITIC OR BENEFICIAL ORGANISMS THAT HAVE ACQUIRED NOVEL GENETIC MATERIALS BY THE TECHNIQUES OF MODERN BIOTECHNOLOGY Into Singapore**

<b><u>Name of Regulated Articles</u></b>	<b><u>Country of Origin</u></b>	<b><u>Import Requirements</u></b>
<p><b>ALL GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANTS AND PLANT PARASITIC OR BENEFICIAL ORGANISMS INCLUDING SEEDS &amp; FLOWERS</b></p>	<p>All Countries</p>	<p>1. Applicants need to obtain recommendation in advance from Genetic Modification Advisory Committee of Singapore (GMAC) before importation</p> <p>2. Applicants need to provide information as listed under the Questionnaire for Risk Assessment of GMO related to agriculture to the Secretary- GMAC. The details of the requirements can be obtained from the following address:            Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR)            10 Science Park Road            01-01/03            The Alpha            Singapore Science Park            Singapore 117684            Tel: (65) 68266584            Fax: (65) 67771711            Website: <a href="http://www.a-star.edu.sg">http://www.a-star.edu.sg</a></p> <p>* AVA would approve the importation only on receiving GMAC's recommendations</p> <p>3. Bio -security facilities and commitment assurance (after consultation with GMAC)</p> <p>a. Importation at a regular basis (more than 1 applications in 12 month interval)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Required to participate in Bio-Security Assurance Arrangement (BSAA) with AVA</li> <li>◆ For BSAA guidelines please contact AVA for details</li> </ul> <p>b. Importation on an ad-hoc basis (not more than 1 application per 12 month interval)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Required to provide bio-security measures that are to be implemented in the establishment for such importation</li> </ul> <p>4. Inspection and other audit procedure</p> <p>a. Importation on a regular basis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ No need for inspection on the actual consignment</li> <li>◆ Overall bio-security measures implemented subjected to audit by AVA three times per annum</li> </ul> <p>b. Importation on an ad hoc basis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Proposed bio-security measures have to be verified by AVA</li> <li>◆ Consignment will be inspected upon arrival</li> <li>◆ AVA may conduct regular audits at the premises where the imported organisms are hold during the period until the purpose of the importation ended.</li> </ul>