

The Swedish Plant Protection Organisation

The Swedish Board of Agriculture, under the Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, has the function of the National Plant Protection Organisation (NPPO). The Board of Agriculture is the government's expert authority in matters of agri-food policy, is responsible for the agricultural and horticultural sectors and is also the government's expert authority in phytosanitary issues, including forestry pests. It is the 'Single Authority' for plant health under EU legislation. The central office of the Swedish Board of Agriculture is situated in Jönköping.

Within the Swedish Board of Agriculture, the Plant and Environment Department has the responsibility for phytosanitary policy issues, implementation of the legislation and for risk management of plant pests. The Chief Plant Health Officer is included in the department's management team and represents Sweden in the regional plant protection organization EPPO and the IPPC. The Plant Control Unit at the Control Department is responsible for control activities regarding phytosanitary legislation of the European Union (EU-internal movement of plants and plant products) and for phytosanitary import and export control. This unit is responsible for issuing phytosanitary certificates and has regional offices in Helsingborg, Gothenburg and Stockholm.

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