

STATE OF ISRAEL

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Plant Protection and Inspection Services

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To: IPPC official contact points

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Notification from the State of Israel regarding the issuance of Electronic Phytosanitary Certificates, and the acceptance thereof

The NPPO of Israel would kindly like to inform you that, as of today, the Plant Protection and Inspection Services (NPPO of Israel) is prepared to start accepting electronic phytosanitary certificates from all contracting parties for the import of plants and plant products. This follows the successful issuance of Israeli electronic phytosanitary certificates for plants and plant products through the IPPC e-Phyto system, started in June 2022.

As regards the later, kindly note that we are still in a transitional period during which we will continue to gradually reduce the usage of the paper format of our phytosanitary certificates for export and re-export.

During this transition period, you can expect to receive one of the two official formats of phytosanitary certificates –

- Paper phytosanitary certificates, signed manually
- or
- e-Phyto certificates with electronic signature that can be viewed securely via the IPPC e-phyto system with digital signing

A further notification will be sent to all IPPC official contact points at the end of this transition period.

For any further questions, please contact Amit Mizrahi, Head Inspection Services, at amitm@moag.gov.il.

Best regards,

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