NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** NEW ZEALAND  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry for Primary Industries |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** *Actinidia* Plants for Planting (cuttings and plants *in vitro*) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[****]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Amendments to the *Actinidia* Plants for Planting Import Health Standard.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 25  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23\_13297\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13297_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is proposing the following changes to the *Actinidia* Plants for Planting Import Health Standard:   1. Add Actinidia yellowing ringspot virus, Actinidia yellowing virus 1, Actinidia virus C, and Emaravirus kiwii as regulated pests to the import requirements. These viruses are proposed to be managed by visual inspection and PCR testing during post-entry quarantine. 2. Remove the requirement to treat goods within 48 hours of shipment. Instead, packaging will be required after treatment to ensure the goods are not reinfected. 3. Change the temperature limits during growth in post-entry quarantine. 4. Offer an alternative tissue for phytoplasma testing. 5. Remove the "Exporting Country System" clause which requires MPI to assess the exporting countries system for issuing phytosanitary certificates.   These changes will not affect trade. Further details can be found within the Risk Management Proposal document. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****]****food safety, [****]****animal health, [****X]****plant protection, [****]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[****]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[****X]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM 1  **[****]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X]** **Yes [****]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**  Risk Management Proposal <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_13297_01_e.pdf>  (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 February 2024  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 February 2024 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 August 2024  **[****]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 January 2024  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: [sps@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz)  Website: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: [sps@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz)  Website: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |