



COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

TWENTIETH SESSION

ADOPTION OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS FOR PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES (ISPMs)

AGENDA ITEM 11

(Prepared by the IPPC Secretariat)

1. Introduction

- [1] This document presents the draft International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs) proposed by the Standards Committee (SC) for adoption by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM) at its twentieth session (CPM-20). It also presents the diagnostic protocols (DPs) that have been adopted by the SC on behalf of the CPM, as well as activities related to adopted ISPMs.

2. Recommended for adoption – five draft ISPMs (including annexes) presented in Attachments 01–05 to this paper

- [2] Background information on the drafts can be found in the status boxes of each draft ISPM.
- [3] Comments received on these documents during the July–September 2025 consultation period (first and second consultation) are posted on the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP).¹
- [4] Summaries of the discussions and reasons for the proposed revisions are in the reports of the SC, the Standards Committee Working Group (SC-7) and the Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments, which are also posted on the IPP.²
- [5] To streamline processing, the draft ISPMs are presented for adoption as unformatted texts with unnumbered paragraphs in separate files on the IPP.³ After adoption, they will be formatted for publication on the IPP in all FAO languages.
- [6] The SC recommends the following five draft ISPMs (including annexes) to the CPM for adoption:
- CPM 2026/10_01: Draft revision of ISPM 26 (*Establishment and maintenance of pest free areas for tephritid fruit flies*) (2021-010);
 - CPM 2026/10_02: Draft annex *Field inspection* (2021-018) to ISPM 23 (*Guidelines for inspection*);
 - CPM 2026/10_03: Draft annex to ISPM 28 (*Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests*): Irradiation treatment for *Planococcus lilacinus* (2023-035);
 - CPM 2026/10_04: Draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Paracoccus marginatus* (2023-034); and

¹ Compiled consultation comments: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/standards-setting/member-consultation-draft-ispm/>

² Meeting reports of the SC and the SC-7: <https://www.ippc.int/en/commission/standards-committee/>; report of the January 2025 virtual meeting of the Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments: <https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/94569/>

³ CPM main page: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/governance/cpm/>

- CPM 2026/10_05: Draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033).

[7] Please note that the draft revision of ISPM 26, as presented in CPM 2026/10_01, includes Annex 3, Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of ISPM 26 as adopted in 2015 as attachments 1, 2 and 3, respectively, to ensure that this information is retained until it can be updated and made available as guidance material.

2.1 Objections

[8] Following the IPPC Standard Setting Procedure (section 3.5 of the *IPPC procedure manual for standard setting*⁴), contracting parties may submit objections to draft ISPMs (including annexes) along with technical justification and suggestions for improvement, no later than three weeks before the CPM-20 (2026) meeting. Concerned contracting parties should make every effort to seek agreement before the CPM session. Objections will be added to the CPM-20 (2026) agenda, and CPM-20 will decide on a way forward.

[9] Should contracting parties wish to submit an objection, they should do so by **16 February 2026**, 12:00 (GMT+1), following the instructions available on the IPP.⁵

[10] The IPPC Secretariat (hereafter referred to as the “secretariat”) will post an additional CPM-20 (2026) paper detailing the objections on the IPP as soon as possible upon receipt of the objection or objections and contracting parties will be notified via the IPP. All contracting parties are urged to review the submitted objections immediately and make efforts to resolve the objection before CPM-20 (2026). Contracting parties are also reminded that minor editorials may be submitted to the secretariat. Other points of concern to a contracting party that do not warrant an objection in the opinion of that contracting party can also be submitted to the secretariat, who will keep them for consideration during a future revision of the relevant ISPM.

[11] If no objection is received, the CPM will adopt the draft ISPMs without discussion.

3. For noting – adopted diagnostic protocols (annexes to ISPM 27)

[12] In 2025, the draft DPs for *Heterobasidion annosum sensu lato* (DP 34), *Meloidogyne mali* (DP 35) and Genus *Pospiviroid* (DP 36) were submitted to the 45-day DP notification period (30 January 2025 – 15 March 2025 and 1 July 2025 – 15 August 2025⁶) for inclusion as annexes to ISPM 27 (*Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests*).

[13] No objections were submitted to the adoption of the draft DP 34, DP 35 and DP 36; therefore, the following were adopted by the SC in 2025 on behalf of the CPM and are available on the IPP:⁷

- DP 34 (*Heterobasidion annosum sensu lato*);
- DP 35 (*Meloidogyne mali*); and
- DP 36 (Genus *Pospiviroid*).

CPM-19 (2025) noted the adoption of DP 34.

⁴ IPPC procedure manual for standard setting: <https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/85024/>

⁵ Current objections to the adoption of ISPMs: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/standards-setting/member-consultation-draft-ispms/objections-draft-ispms-prior-cpm/>

⁶ DP 45-day notification period: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/standards-setting/notification-period-dps/>

⁷ Adopted DPs: <https://www.ippc.int/core-activities/standards-setting/ispms>

4. For noting – translation adjustments to ISPMs adopted at CPM-18 (2024) and CPM-19 (2025)

- [14] CPM-5 (2010) adopted a language review group procedure to correct editorial errors in FAO language versions of adopted ISPMs.⁸ Once the standards have been reviewed by the language review group, the secretariat publishes the finalized versions on the IPP⁹ and invites the CPM to note them.
- [15] It is noted that the position of coordinator for the language review group for French has now been vacant for ten years. Therefore, no standards in the French language have been reviewed over this period. The secretariat has approached French speaking contracting parties and regional plant protection organizations (RPPOs) with French speaking members to seek to remedy this, with no resolution to date.

5. Co-publishing agreements for unofficial translations of ISPMs

- [16] The Standard Setting Unit of the secretariat currently administers ten co-publishing agreements.¹⁰
- [17] Co-publishers are reminded to seek information on adopted standards through the CPM reports or the IPP. MS Word files of adopted standards will be sent to the co-publishers by the secretariat upon request.
- [18] Contracting parties and RPPOs that wish to sign a co-publishing agreement with FAO for the unofficial translation of ISPMs and other documents, may find the necessary information on the IPP.¹¹

6. Recognition of experts who participated in ISPM development

- [19] The experts who participated in the development of the ISPMs that are presented for adoption by CPM-20 (2026) and the DPs to be noted by CPM-20 (2026) are recognized in Appendix 1. The SC invites the CPM to express their appreciation and thank the drafting groups' experts and their supporting contracting parties or international organizations for their active contribution to the development of these ISPMs.

Recommendations

- [20] The CPM is invited to:
- (1) adopt the draft revision of ISPM 26 (*Establishment and maintenance of pest free areas for tephritid fruit flies*) (2021-010);
 - (2) adopt the draft annex *Field inspection* (2021-018) to ISPM 23 (*Guidelines for inspection*);
 - (3) adopt the draft annex to ISPM 28 (*Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests*): Irradiation treatment for *Planococcus lilacinus* (2023-035);
 - (4) adopt the draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Paracoccus marginatus* (2023-034);
 - (5) adopt the draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033);
 - (6) note the adoption by the SC of the following two DPs (annexes to ISPM 27 (*Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests*)) on behalf of the CPM in 2025:
 - DP 35 *Meloidogyne mali*, and
 - DP 36 Genus *Pospiviroid*;

⁸ Language review groups (LRGs): <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/governance/standards-setting/ispm/language-review-groups/>

⁹ LRG reviewed documents: <https://www.ippc.int/en/about/core-activities/governance/standards-setting/ispm/language-review-groups/lrg-reviewed-adopted-standards-by-cpm-18-2024-and-cpm-19-2025-for-cpm-20-march-2026-to-note/>

¹⁰ Co-publishing agreements: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/governance/standards-setting/ispm/copublishing-agreements/>

¹¹ Co-publishing agreements: <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/governance/standards-setting/ispm/copublishing-agreements/>

- (7) *thank* the experts of the groups who drafted the adopted standards and their contracting parties or international organizations (Appendix 1) for their active contribution to the development of these standards;
- (8) *note* that the following ISPMs (including annexes) and CPM recommendation have been reviewed by the Arabic, Chinese and Spanish language review groups and FAO Translation Services, and the secretariat incorporated the modifications accordingly and replaced the previously adopted versions on the IPP:
- 2022 amendments to ISPM 5 (*Glossary of phytosanitary terms*), and
 - Annex 1 (Criteria for evaluation of available information for determining host status of fruit to fruit flies) to ISPM 37 (*Determination of host status of fruit to fruit flies ((Tephritidae))*);
 - ISPM 4 (*Requirements for the establishment of pest free areas*),
 - Annex to ISPM 28 (*Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests*): PT 46 (Cold treatment for *Thaumatotibia leucotreta* on *Citrus sinensis*),
 - CPM Recommendation on *Minimizing the pest risk associated with the sea-container pathway* (R-06),
 - Annex to ISPM 46 (*Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures*): CS 1 (International movement of fresh *Mangifera indica* fruit), and
 - Annex 1 (Use of systems approaches in managing the pest risk associated with the movement of wood) to ISPM 39 (*International movement of wood*); and
- (9) *thank* contracting parties and RPPOs involved in the language review groups, as well as FAO Translation Services, for their efforts and hard work to improve the language versions of ISPMs (including annexes) and CPM recommendations.

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Appendix 1: Recognition related to standard setting activities

- [21] We would like to express gratitude to the experts of the drafting groups for their active contribution in the development of the following ISPMs, or annexes to ISPMs, adopted in 2026.
- [22] We would like to also recognize and thank all members of the Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments for their work and contribution in drafting the annexes to ISPM 28 (*Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests*) for adoption.

Table 1: Draft revision of ISPM 26 (*Establishment and maintenance of pest free areas for tephritid fruit flies*) (2021-010)

Country/RPPO/Organization	Expert	Role
NEW ZEALAND	Joanne WILSON	Steward
AUSTRALIA	Sonya BROUGHTON	Member
ARGENTINA	María Florencia VAZQUEZ	Member
BRAZIL	Caio Cesar SIMAO	Member
CHINA	Zhihong LI	Member
JAPAN	Toshihisa KAMIJI	Member
MEXICO	Arturo Bello RIVERA	Member
NEW ZEALAND	George Stuart Cuthill GILL	Member
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Cory PENCA	Member
VIET NAM	Hoang Kim THOA	Member
NEW ZEALAND	Preet PARMAR	Host representative
NEW ZEALAND	Nacanieli WAQA	Host representative

Table 2: Draft annex *Field inspection* (2021-018) to ISPM 23 (*Guidelines for inspection*)

Country/RPPO/Organization	Expert	Role
JAPAN	Masahiro SAI	Steward
ITALY	Mariangela CIAMPITTI	Assistant steward
ARGENTINA	Natalia LARREA	Member
CHINA	Hongxia JIANG	Member
EGYPT	Saleh Abdelsattar BAHIG	Member
GHANA	Akosua Agyekumwaa ADOFO	Member
IRELAND	Tamás Lajos SZÉKELY	Member
VIET NAM	Anh Tuan NGUYEN	Member
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND	Laura Jayne STEVENS	Member
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Tracy BRUNS	Member
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	Kyu-Ock YIM	Invited expert
JAPAN	Hiroki FUJITA	Host representative
JAPAN	Natsumi YAMADA	Host representative

Country/RPPO/Organization	Expert	Role
JAPAN	Masumi YAMAMOTO	Host representative

Table 3: DP 35 *Meloidogyne mali*

Country/RPPO/Organization	Expert	Role
FRANCE	Géraldine ANTHOINE	Discipline lead and TPDP member
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Norman BARR	Referee and TPDP member
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND	Thomas James PRIOR	Lead author
CANADA	Fengcheng SUN	Co-author
CHINA	Jianfeng GU	Co-author
NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE)	Gerrit KARSEN	Co-author
VIET NAM	Trinh Thi Thu THUY	Co-author

Note: TPDP, Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols.

Table 4: DP 36 Genus *Pospiviroid*

Country/RPPO/Organization	Expert	Role
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Vessela MAVRODIEVA	Discipline Lead and former TPDP member
AUSTRALIA	Julie PATTEMORE	Referee and former TPDP member
UNITED KINGDOM GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND	Christophe LACOMME	Lead author
NETHERLANDS (KINGDOM OF THE)	Johanna W. ROENSHORST	Co-author
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Rosemarie HAMMOND	Co-author

Note: TPDP, Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols.