ISPM15 – South Pacific

Australia and New Zealand Import and Manufacturing Programme

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Australia and New Zealand Systems

- **Australia and New Zealand have a similar history of import controls, and attempt to achieve a high ALOP**

- **Import systems are similar though differences in domestic legislation affect some aspects**

- **Currently attempting to ensure WPM manufacturing systems are compatible to enhance bi-lateral trade. Systems are based on the regulatory model.**

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ISPM 15 Import Clearance Systems

- New Zealand & Australia have a long history of regulating the import of SWP. SWP was subject to inspection unless (for Australia only) treated by an approved method off shore
- SWP was inspected for pests (e.g. insects, fungi), soil, and bark
- As a consequence of this intervention, Australia & New Zealand are free of many of the timber pests associated with SWP
- Australia and New Zealand have also been able to compile an extensive interception record for SWP, which includes many non-timber or hitchhiker pests.

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ISPM 15 Import Clearance Systems

- New Zealand began recognizing ISPM15 compliant SWP in April 2003 (along with existing requirements), subject to inspection for bark, soil, and hitchhiker pests
- Australia implemented new import conditions on 1 September 2004 that recognize ISPM 15 compliant SWP, including its long-standing requirement that packaging be free of bark (pending further investigation and international review)
- To date both countries have maintained their existing import options, ensuring continued market access for countries not in position to implement ISPM 15.
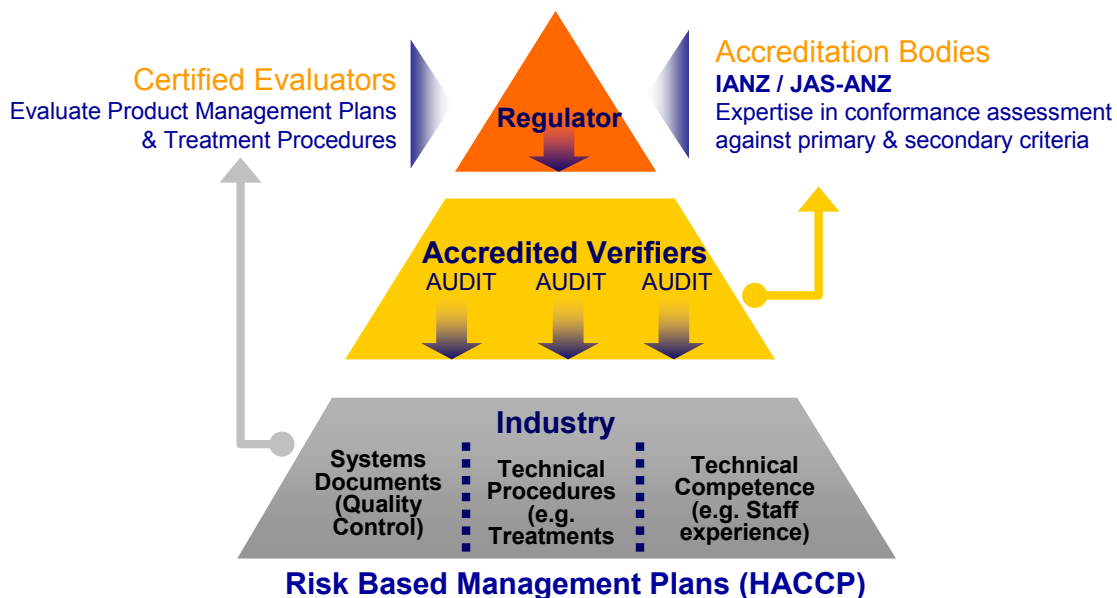
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ISPM 15 Import Clearance Systems

- Break Bulk WPM and Dunnage inspected on arrival at ports

- Containers require a declaration and/or certificate providing the status of WPM within (e.g. no solid wood, ISPM 15 compliant etc) – failure to declare compliant WPM will result in on-arrival inspection at port

- Compliance allows containers to be inspected at point of unloading (e.g. importers premises) – Inspections overseen by NPPO (NZMAF or AQIS).

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ISPM 15 WPM Manufacture

Certified Evaluators
Evaluate Product Management Plans & Treatment Procedures

Regulator

Accreditation Bodies
IANZ / JAS-ANZ
Expertise in conformance assessment against primary & secondary criteria

Accredited Verifiers
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Industry

Systems Documents (Quality Control)

Technical Procedures (e.g. Treatments

Technical Competence (e.g. Staff experience)

Risk Based Management Plans (HACCP)

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ISPM 15 WPM Manufacture

Regulator — AQIS-NZMAF (NPPO): Provide technical standards for performance requirements and regulation of verification agencies and manufactures, and have oversight for system performance, and accredit verification agencies

Accredited Verifiers — Accredited Verifiers (or IVAs) audit and approve (certify) manufacturers to NPPO standards

Industry — Manufacturers produce ISPM 15 compliant WPM in accordance with approved processes and procedures.

ISPM 15 WPM Manufacture

- WWW register of approved (certified) manufacturers, FAQs, hotline, key information and contacts
- Imported ISPM 15 treated timber (unstamped) can be used if assurance equivalent to domestic supply (e.g. equivalent systems in country of origin, phytosanitary certificate)
- AQIS only – offshore accreditation to AQIS fumigation standards (AFAS) to ensure compliant systems.

Thank you

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