

Notification of Department of Agriculture Re: Specifications, methods and conditions of pest risk analysis for the importation of prohibited articles

According to Notification of Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives Re: Specification of plants and carriers from certain sources as prohibited articles, of exceptions and conditions under the Plant Quarantine Act B.E. 2507 (No. 5) B.E. 2550 dated 26 April B.E. 2550, it specifies exceptions or conditions for permission to import prohibited articles after the completion of pest risk analysis (PRA) in accordance with specifications, methods and conditions issued by Director-General of the Department of Agriculture. Therefore, Director-General of the Department of Agriculture, hereby, issues the following notification.

Item 1. National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of exporting country must submit a request in writing for import permission of prohibited articles to Director-General of the Department of Agriculture at the following address:

Director-General
Department of Agriculture
50 Phaholyothin Road, Chatuchak
Bangkok 10900, THAILAND
Telephone: +66 2 940 5412
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Item 2. NPPO of exporting country must provide all information in English for PRA as follows:

- 2.1 Complete address of NPPO with telephone, facsimile and email contact information
- 2.2 Information about proposed export commodity to Thailand
 - 2.2.1 scientific name, including author (s)
 - 2.2.2 taxonomic classification
 - 2.2.3 synonyms
 - 2.2.4 common name
 - 2.2.5 variety/cultivar
 - 2.2.6 plant part to be exported (e.g. fruit, seed etc.)

- 2.2.7 purposed end use of the commodity (e.g consumption, processing, propagation etc.)
- 2.2.8 export destination (other countries)
- 2.2.9 photographs of the commodity
- 2.3 Information about production area
 - 2.3.1 states, regions, provinces, districts etc.
 - 2.3.2 area maps
 - 2.3.3 climatological description of the production area
 - 2.3.4 amount proposed for export
- 2.4 Information about production and cultivation
 - 2.4.1 specific pest management, surveillance programs and certification schemes (e.g. survey data/sampling method etc.)
 - 2.4.2 product from area officially certified pest free by NPPO
 - 2.4.3 internal legislative restriction (e.g. pest free areas, import control measures/requirements etc.)
 - 2.4.4 production, harvesting method, harvesting period
- 2.5 Information about pests associated with proposed export commodity and vectors of the pathogenic agents attacking the crop (see Table):
 - 2.5.1 scientific name, including author (s)
 - 2.5.2 taxonomic classification
 - 2.5.3 synonym
 - 2.5.4 common name
 - 2.5.5 hosts (scientific name and variety if relevant)
 - 2.5.6 plant part attacked
 - 2.5.7 symptom/damage
 - 2.5.8 distribution
 - 2.5.9 prevalence (common, occasional or rare)
 - 2.5.10 control measures
 - 2.5.11 technical references to biology of pests

Scientific	Organism	Order	Family	Common	Plant part	Reference
name and	type (insect,			name	attacked	
synonym	mite, fungi,					
	bacteria etc.)					

- 2.6 Information about post-harvest management
 - 2.6.1 packing methods

- 2.6.2 inspection procedures
- 2.6.3 post-harvest disinfestation/disinfection treatments
- 2.6.4 storage condition and security
- 2.6.5 transportation (national and international)
- 2.7 Current phytosanitary certification procedures (e.g. field inspection, sampling, additional declaration etc.)
- 2.8 Results of pest risk analysis which have been carried out in other countries
- 2.9 All data (if possible) provided to be less than 10 years old and validated/endorsed by NPPO of exporting country

Item 3. PRA is carried out in accordance with the guideline of International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures. The process of PRA involves the categorization of pests associated with the commodity into quarantine pests, evaluation of their introduction potential, critical assessment of economic and environmental impact of their introduction and specification of risk mitigating measures against them.

The completion of PRA may involve the visit of plant quarantine officials to exporting country to evaluate pest managements in production area, export certification schemes, post-harvest disinfestation/disinfection treatments.

Item 4. The importation of prohibited articles may be required the visit of plant quarantine officials to carry out pre-shipment inspections of prohibited articles in exporting country for certain period or through out export season.

Item 5. The exporting country has to be responsible for all the expenses, which are listed to this notification, incurred during the visit of plant quarantine officials mentioned in Item 3 and Item 4.

Effective on this date henceforth

Given on 11 July B.E. 2550 (2007)

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Department of Agriculture

Actual expense

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Expenses of plant quarantine officials attached to the Notification of Department of Agriculture Re: Specifications, methods and conditions of pest risk analysis for the importation of prohibited articles

1. 2. 3. 4.	Round trip air fare Daily allowance Accommodation (including breakfast) Overtime charge	Actual expense 4,500 Baht/Day Actual expense	
	 Monday to Friday: after 5:00 p.m. or before 9.00 a.m. Saturday, Sunday and other holiday (of exporting country) 	800 Baht/hour 1,200 Baht/hour	
5.	Miscellaneous		

Domestic travel(both importing and exporting countries)Passport fee

Visa fee Actual expense
Airport fee Actual expense
Communication Actual expense
Vaccination Actual expense
Insurance cost Actual expense
Medical treatment and incidental costs Actual expense

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[•] This is an unofficial English translation. In case of any different in meaning between the Thai text and the English translation, the Thai text shall be applied.