NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Bahrain  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Plant Wealth Directorate – Agriculture and Marine Resources Affairs- Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning |
| **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):** Plants and plant products |
| **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:** Import Phytosanitary Requirements. **Language(s):** Arabic and English. **Number of pages:** 33 and 23  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/BHR/17_4797_00_x.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/BHR/17_4797_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** According to Article no. (15) of Plant Quarantine Law No. 5 for the year 2003 of the GCC, all consignments of plants and plant products (including seeds mixtures for birds feed) exported/re-exported to the Kingdom of Bahrain should be accompanied with valid phytosanitary certificate issued by the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of the exporting/re-exporting country.  The phytosanitary certificates should be complied with the annexed model to the IPPC, and in compliance with the provisions of ISPM No. 7 and ISPM No. 12. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [****X] plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****X] 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)*:** ISPMs No. 7 and 12  **[ ]** **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:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 October 2017  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 October 2017  **[****X] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 5 January 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Mr Hussain Jawad Allaith  Acting Director of Plant Wealth Directorate  Agriculture and Marine Resources Affairs  Ministry of Works, Municipalities and Urban Planning  Kingdom of Bahrain  Postal Address: P.O. Box: 251, Budaiya, Kingdom of Bahrain  Tel: +(973) 1798 7274  +(973) 17987277  Mobile: +(973) 3945 5415  Fax: +(973) 1769 3386  E-mail: hallaith@mun.gov.bh |
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