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):** 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:** Prohibited items. **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:** |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** All imported consignments of raw grains and seeds for human consumption or for animal feed (including bird's seeds mixtures) should be free from hemp seeds (*Cannabis* sp.) and poppy seeds (*Papaver* spp.).  Import of Hemp Seeds and Poppy Seeds are prohibited (single or mixed with other ingredients) according to HS Tariff Codes of the Kingdom of Bahrain and law No. 15 of year 2007 regarding narcotic substances and psychotropic substances and its amendments.  Phytosanitary certificates should include additional declaration confirming that "The consignment is free from hemp and poppy seeds". |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [****X] plant protection, [****X] 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)*:** ISPM No. 20  **[ ]** **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)*:** 11 January 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 11 January 2018  **[ ] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 March 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  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) 1798 7277  Mobile: +(973) 3945 5415  Fax: +(973) 1769 3386  E-mail: hallaith@mun.gov.bh |
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