NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** MEXICO  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación* (Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food) |
| **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):** Citrus propagation material: plants, seedlings, rootstock, seeds, twigs, and shoots. |
| **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:** *Proyecto de modificación de la Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-079-FITO-2002, Requisitos fitosanitarios para la producción y movilización de material propagativo libre de virus tristeza y otros patógenos asociados a cítricos, para quedar como Norma Oficial Mexicana NOM-079-SAG/FITO-2017, Requisitos fitosanitarios, especificaciones y procedimiento que deben cumplir los establecimientos productores y comercializadores de material propagativo de cítricos libre de plagas reglamentadas, así como aquellos que acopian, empacan y procesan frutos de cítricos para obtener la certificación fitosanitaria* (Draft Amendment to Mexican Official Standard NOM-079-FITO-2002: "Phytosanitary requirements governing the production and movement of propagation material free of the citrus quick decline (tristeza) virus and other pathogens affecting citrus", which is now entitled Mexican Official Standard NOM-079-SAG/FITO-2017: "Phytosanitary requirements, specifications and procedures that must be complied with by establishments producing and marketing citrus propagation material free of regulated pests, and storing, packing and processing citrus fruit, in order to obtain phytosanitary certification") **Language(s):** Spanish **Number of pages:** 14  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/MEX/18_1796_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The provisions of the notified Standard apply to the following:   * Citrus propagation material: plants, seedlings, rootstock, seeds, twigs, and shoots; * Establishments producing citrus propagation material: foundation-seed sites, seed‑producing orchards, shoot-producing sites, and nurseries; * Establishments marketing citrus propagation material: stores selling ornamental and/or garden plants; * Commercial establishments handling citrus fruit: storage or distribution facilities, packing plants (movement within the country and exports) and processing plants. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] 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 Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM No.)***  - International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No. 5: Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms, 2005 (<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/622/>)  - NAPPO Regional Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (RSPM) No. 16: Integrated Measures for the Movement of Citrus Propagative Material (<https://www.nappo.org/files/2314/3896/0893/RSPM16-Rev-10-09-13-e.pdf>)  **[ ] 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:** *Acuerdo por el que se establece el Módulo de requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de mercancías reguladas por la Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación, en materia de sanidad vegetal* (Decision establishing the module of phytosanitary requirements for the importation of goods regulated by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food, in relation to plant health), published in the Mexican Official Journal on 7 February 2012 (available in Spanish). |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):** To be determined. The notified draft Mexican Official Standard will enter into force on the day following its publication in the Mexican Official Journal as a final standard.  **[X] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):** 21 May 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  Scientifically and technically substantiated comments may be submitted, in Spanish, to the following address:  *Dirección General de Sanidad Vegetal del Servicio Nacional de Sanidad, Inocuidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria* (Directorate-General of Plant Health of the National Agriculture and Food Health, Safety and Quality Service)  Avenida Boulevard Adolfo Ruíz Cortines 5010  Colonia Insurgentes Cuicuilco, Delegación Coyoacán  Ciudad de México, Código Postal 04530  or by email to:  luis.espinoza@senasica.gob.mx/supervision.dgsv@senasica.gob.mx |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  *Subsecretaría de Competitividad y Normatividad* (Under-Secretariat of Competitiveness and Standardization)  *Dirección General de Normas* (General Directorate of Standards)  Av. Puente de Tecamachalco 6, Piso 2, Lomas de Tecamachalco  Sección Fuentes, C.P. 53950  Naucalpan de Juárez, Estado de México  Tel.: (+52 55) 5729 9100, Ext. 43244  Email: normasomc@economia.gob.mx  sofia.pacheco@economia.gob.mx  jose.ramosr@economia.gob.mx  Also available at:  <http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5516931&fecha=22/03/2018> |