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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- **1.** Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (DOA)
- 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 and plant products
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners
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 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Implementation of new format Phytosanitary Certificate and Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export issued by DOA of Thailand. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/THA/22 5909 00 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** The DOA implemented a new format, Phytosanitary Certificate and Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export, on 1 August 2022. The following are features for the new Phytosanitary certificates and Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export template for Thailand:
 - 1. The new certificate is printed on special paper-A4, with the light green watermark which displays the word "Thailand Department of Agriculture";
 - 2. The new phytosanitary number starts with TH with the 10-digit code number "THXXXXXXXXX," which means:
 - 2.1. TH means Thailand;
 - 2.2. The first and second digits represent the year with the last two digits of the Buddhist Era;
 - 2.3. The third and the fourth digits represent the months of the year;
 - 2.4. The last six digits are the serial number of the Phytosanitary Certificate issued in order;
 - 3. A unique QR Code is located on the top-left corner of the Phytosanitary Certificate.

Specimens of the new format of the phytosanitary certificate and Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export are attached. The new certificates will become valid for use from 1 August 2022. During the transition period (until 30 September 2022), the new and the current certificates may be presented over time.

7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

| 8. | Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: | |
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| | [] | 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. 12: Guideline for phytosanitary certificates |
| | [] | None |
| | Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No | |
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| | 9. | Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: |
| 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): 1 August 2022 | |
| | [] | Trade facilitating measure |
| 12. | Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable | |
| | Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: | |
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