



CTO Direction to MPI Inspector
Biosecurity clearance of non-compliant consignments

CTO direction code for recording in Quantum: CTOPlants:20150043

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, _____, give the following directions for consignments of Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena seed for sowing, to be given biosecurity clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those required by which are equivalent to the requirement for a Pest Free Place of Production on the phytosanitary certificate additional declaration in the Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena schedules of the import health standard (IHS) 155.02.05 Importation of Seed for Sowing:

That permits to import may be issued which detail equivalent phytosanitary requirements for Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena seed for sowing from Canada, the UK and the USA. The permit to import will be issued to specify that agar plate testing or PCR testing will occur prior to export which are equivalent to the requirement to visually field inspect and declare Pest Free Place of Production in the Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena schedules in the IHS 155.02.05 which effectively manages the risks identified in the IHS. All other relevant sections of the IHS 155.02.05 for Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena seeds must be complied with.

The CTO approved equivalent measures will be identified in the Special Conditions section of the permit to import in the following manner:

EQUIVALENCE (MPI reference number: CTOPlants:20150043)

Equivalence is granted to allow the import of seeds accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate endorsed with the following additional declaration(s):

"The seed has been officially tested and found free of *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *undolosa* and/or *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *striaefaciens*".

The goods imported under these permits are equivalent to the requirement to visually field inspect and declare Pest Free Place of Production in the Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena schedules in the import health standard (IHS) 155.02.05 Importation of Seed for Sowing.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing, and may apply to multiple consignments of Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena seed for sowing from Canada, the UK and the USA which are not compliant with the measures required by requirement to declare Pest Free Place of Production in the Hordeum, Triticum, and Avena schedules in the import health standard (IHS) 155.02.05 Importation of Seed for Sowing. This CTO direction is valid for 2 years after issuance date at which stage it must be reviewed, unless it is amended or revoked.

Manager, Plant & Forestry
Acting under delegated Chief Technical Office authority

Plant, Food & Environment Directorate

Date:

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