

**DRAFT SPECIFICATION FOR ISPM: Annex to ISPM 46 Commodity-Based Standards for Phytosanitary Measures - International Movement of *Malus domestica* fruit for consumption**

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**Title**

- [1] Annex *The international movement of fresh Malus domestica* fruit, to ISPM 46 (*Commodity-based standards for phytosanitary measures*).

**Reason for the annex to the standard**

- [2] *M. domestica* fruit, which have the potential to be a host to various plant pests, are widely traded internationally.
- [3] Several contracting parties have established and accepted phytosanitary measures to effectively manage the pest risk associated with the traded commodity. This makes *M. domestica* fruit a suitable commodity for an annex to ISPM 46 (*Commodity-specific standards for phytosanitary measures*).

**Scope**

- [4] The annex should provide guidance for national plant protection organizations (NPPOs) on options, where applicable, for phytosanitary measures for the import and export of fresh *M. domestica* fruit. The annex should identify pests or pest groups that are known to be associated with the international movement of *M. domestica* fruit and describe selected options for phytosanitary measures that may be applied to reduce pest risk. The annex should be drafted in accordance with ISPM 46.
- [5] This annex should only apply to fresh *M. domestica* fruit for consumption and should not apply to processed *M. domestica* (e.g. dried, frozen, canned).

**Purpose**

- [6] This annex will provide guidance on options for phytosanitary measures for NPPOs of the countries who currently, or intend to, import or export fresh *M. domestica* fruit for consumption or processing.

**Tasks**

- [7] Following the requirements in ISPM 46, the Technical Panel on Commodity Standards (TPCS) should undertake the following tasks:
- [8] (1) Clearly describe the commodity and its intended use.
- [9] (2) Identify and provide a list of pests or pest groups that are known to be associated with the international movement of *M. domestica* fruit.
- [10] (3) Identify options for effective phytosanitary measures, including effective combinations of phytosanitary measures, against these pests or pest groups.
- [11] (4) Evaluate potential options for phytosanitary measures for inclusion in the annex and consider whether there is sufficient information on their effectiveness to support their inclusion.
- [12] (5) Consider how to categorize the options for phytosanitary measures according to confidence in the effectiveness of measures and the intended use of the commodity.
- [13] (6) Consider and list available methods that may be used for the detection of pests or pest groups that are known to be associated with the international movement of *M. domestica* fruit.
- [14] (7) Consider existing standards, guidelines, pest risk analyses and related information, developed under the auspices of the IPPC Secretariat or by regional plant protection organizations or NPPOs, for managing the pest risk associated with the international movement of *M. domestica* fruit.
- [15] (8) Liaise with the other technical panels (Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols, Technical Panel for the Glossary, Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments) and with the Implementation and Capacity Development Committee.

- [16] (9) Consider implementation of the annex by contracting parties and identify potential operational and technical implementation issues. Provide information and possible recommendations on these issues to the Standards Committee.

### **Provision of resources**

- [17] Funding for the meeting may be provided from sources other than the regular programme of the IPPC (FAO). As recommended by ICPM-2 (1999), whenever possible, those participating in standard setting activities voluntarily fund their travel and subsistence to attend meetings. Participants may request financial assistance, with the understanding that resources are limited and the priority for financial assistance is given to developing country participants. Please refer to the *Criteria used for prioritizing participants to receive travel assistance to attend meetings organized by the IPPC Secretariat* posted on the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP) (see <https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/>).

### **Collaborator**

- [18] To be determined.

### **Steward**

- [19] Please refer to the *List of topics for IPPC standards* posted on the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP) (see <https://www.ippc.int/core-activities/standards-setting/list-topics-ippc-standards>).

### **Expertise**

- [20] The TPCS and other experts if deemed necessary.

### **Participants**

- [21] [To be determined.]

### **References**

- [22] The IPPC, relevant ISPMs and other national, regional and international standards and agreements as may be applicable to the tasks, and discussion papers submitted in relation to this work.

### **Discussion papers**

- [23] Participants and interested parties are encouraged to submit discussion papers and [Information Materials for Commodity Standards](#) to the IPPC Secretariat ([ippc@fao.org](mailto:ippc@fao.org)) for consideration by the TPCS.