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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Animal and Plant Quarantine Agency (APQA), Ministry for Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) |
| **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):** Plants and 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:** Amended requirement of Phytosanitary Certificate for plants for planting or propagation according to the amendment of Plant Protection Act of the Republic of Korea. **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affair (MAFRA) has amended the Plant Protection Act. The main revision of Plant Protection Act is the following: All plants for planting or propagation, which are imported by hand-carry, mail, courier service or moving items, shall submit a Phytosanitary Certificate. However, Phytosanitary Certificate of plants for planting or propagation may be exempted when quantity is below specified amount and special permit is issued. MAFRA will notify the details of this exemption soon.More information on Plant Protection Act (in Korean) can be found at the MAFRA's website (<http://www.mafra.go.kr/>). |
| **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:****[ ]** **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)*:** ISPMs 1, 7, 11, 12 and 32**[ ]** **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)*:** 31 December 2018**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 31 December 2018 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 July 2019**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 9 March 2019**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:** Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs/MAFRA 94 Dasom2-ro, Government Complex-Sejong, Sejong-si 339-012, Republic of KoreaTel: +(82 44) 201 2080/2081Fax: +(82 44) 868 0449E-mail: wtoagri@korea.kr |
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