

PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

WHAT IS USED FOR

The purpose of a Phytosanitary Certificate is to avoid spreading pests, insects or parasites in plant products and other related services through foreign trade operations. It is also used by some countries to certify that the wood packaging standard (pallets, euro pallets, boxes) are free of pests.

This document certifies that the plants or plant products covered by the certificate have been inspected according to appropriate procedures and are considered to be free from quarantines pests and practically free from other injurious pests, and that they are considered to conform with the current phytosanitary regulations of the importing country. The Phytosanitary Certificate facilitates trade but it is not a trade document.

WHO PREPARES IT

This certificate is an official document issued in each country by the entity responsible for agricultural matters, usually the Ministry of Agriculture or any organization depending on it.

TO WHOM IT IS ADRESSED

To export and import customs.

PRACTICAL ADVICE

The Phytosanitary Certificate must be issued before the customs clearance for export and import. It is granted for a period of sixty days covering the usual deadlines for shipping and international freight.

This document has become more important because it is part of the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM-15) issued by the United Nations, which are applied to wooden pallets and packaging for export. In the implementation of this legislation is the manufacturer of wooden pallets and packaging who must apply for this certificate, then provide it to the exporter or importer because they could need it in export or import customs clearance.

Some of the countries requesting this certificate for wood packaging are: Australia, Brazil, Chile, China or Mexico.

DOCUMENTARY OBLIGATION ACCORDING TO AGREED INCOTERMS

In the event that this document is required for presentation in the export or import customs, the responsible to obtain it will be the same that has to make the customs

clearance: in export clearance will be the exporter (except with Incoterms EXW), and import clearance the importer (except with Incoterms DDP).

1 Name and address of exporter <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	2 PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE No EC / /																
3 Declared name and address of consignee 	4 Plant protection organisation of to plant protection organisation(s) of																
	5 Place of origin																
6 Declared means of conveyance 																	
7 Declared point of entry																	
8 Distinguishing marks: number and description of packages; name of produce; botanical name of plants		9 Quantity declared															
10 This is to certify that the plants or plant products described above: — have been inspected according to appropriate procedures, and — are considered to be free from quarantine pests, and practically free from other injurious pests, and — are considered to conform with the current phytosanitary regulations of the importing country																	
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