

Import and export quarantine requirements and procedures for plants, plant products and specific articles for research purposes

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Abstract

Plant quarantine is an important safeguard measure on international trade. As the member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), the import and export quarantine shall be implemented in accordance with the Plant Protection and Quarantine Act and other phytosanitary regulations, and follow the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures of the WTO, International Plant Protection Convention and International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures. The purpose of import quarantine is to protect the safety of agricultural production and the ecological environment by inspecting importing plants or plant products for avoiding exotic harmful pests introduced into our territory through international trade. Export inspection is operated in accordance with the requirements of importing countries for assisting the export of agricultural products and relevant international cooperation of researchers. In addition, the importation of prohibited plants, plant products or other specific articles for research or teaching shall also be regulated for safeguarding relevant research and teaching.

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