NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** COLOMBIA  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario*,ICA (Colombian Agricultural Institute) |
| **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, plant products and other regulated articles. |
| **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:** *Proyecto de resolución del Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario - ICA "Por medio de la cual se reglamenta el sistema fitocuarentenario de importaciones, reimportaciones y tránsitos internacionales, así como el sistema de certificación fitosanitaria de exportación y reexportación y la emisión de certificados fitosanitarios de plantas, productos vegetales y otros artículos reglamentados"* (Draft Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) Resolution "Regulating the plant quarantine system for imports, re-imports and international transit operations, and the phytosanitary certification system for exports, re-exports and the issuance of phytosanitary certificates for plants, plant products and other regulated articles") **Language(s):** Spanish **Number of pages:** 28  Text available at: <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/COL/18_4157_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified draft Resolution regulates the plant quarantine system for imports, re-imports and international transit operations, and the phytosanitary certification system for exports, re-exports and the issuance of phytosanitary certificates for plants, plant products and other regulated articles.  The notified draft Resolution covers the following: Purpose; Scope; Definitions; Establishment of plant quarantine and phytosanitary certification systems; Plant quarantine system for imports, re-imports and international transit operations; Phytosanitary certification for exports, re-exports and the issuance of phytosanitary certificates; Document on phytosanitary requirements for imports; Phytosanitary inspection requests; Document inspection; Phytosanitary certificates; Physical inspection, interception or suspected presence of pests during physical inspection; Issuance of technical reports; Issuance of phytosanitary certificates for customs clearance; Re-importation requests; Phytosanitary inspection for re-importation; Requests for international transit operations; Phytosanitary inspection for international transit operations; Sites for the storage of international transit shipments; Authorized duration of international transit; Safety requirements for international transit shipments; Export certification criteria; Phytosanitary certificate requests; Phytosanitary inspection for exports and the issuance of phytosanitary certificates; Requests for the replacement of phytosanitary certificates; Requests for re-exportation; Phytosanitary inspection for re‑exports and the issuance of phytosanitary certificates; Plant material subject to quarantine; Plant material for exhibition fairs; Post offices, bonded warehouses and free‑trade zones; Obligations; Disposal of residues; Cooperation; Official control; and Penalties. |
| **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 Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention (*e.g. ISPM No.*):**  **[X] None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ] 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)*:** Date on which the Resolution is signed.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Date of publication in the Official Journal. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):** Upon publication in the Official Journal.  **[ ] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):** 1 October 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  Ministerio de Comercio, Industria y Turismo  *Dirección de Regulación*  Calle 28, N° 13A - 15, tercer piso  Bogotá, D.C. Colombia  Tel.: (+571) 606 7676, Ext. 1566/1340  Email: mortizb@mincit.gov.co  mgonzalezs@mincit.gov.co  Website: <http://www.mincit.gov.co/>  *Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario*,ICA (Colombian Agricultural Institute)  *Subgerencia de Regulación Sanitaria y Fitosanitaria* (Sanitary and Phytosanitary Regulation Division)  *Dirección Técnica de Asuntos Internacionales* (Technical Division for International Affairs)  Carrera 41 # 17 - 81, Piso 2 (Zona Industrial - Puente Aranda)  Bogotá, D.C., Colombia  Tel.: (+571) 332 3700, Ext. 1510  Fax: (571) 288 4800  Website: <http://www.ica.gov.co/> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  Ministerio de Comercio, Industria y Turismo  *Dirección de Regulación*  Calle 28, N° 13A - 15, tercer piso  Bogotá, D.C. Colombia  Tel.: (+571) 606 7676, Ext. 1566/1340  Email: mortizb@mincit.gov.co  mgonzalezs@mincit.gov.co  Website: <http://www.mincit.gov.co/>  *Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario*,ICA (Colombian Agricultural Institute)  *Subgerencia de Regulación Sanitaria y Fitosanitaria* (Sanitary and Phytosanitary Regulation Division)  *Dirección Técnica de Asuntos Internacionales* (Technical Division for International Affairs)  Carrera 41 # 17 - 81, Piso 2 (Zona Industrial - Puente Aranda)  Bogotá, D.C., Colombia  Tel.: (+571) 332 3700, Ext. 1510  Fax: (571) 288 4800  Website: <http://www.ica.gov.co/> |