

PHYTOSANITARY REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPORTATION OF FRESH STRAWBERRY FRUITS (*Fragaria ananassa* Duchense) FROM REPUBLIC OF KOREA INTO VIETNAM

General information

This phytosanitary requirement is developed by the Plant Protection Department (PPD), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of Vietnam. Based on results of the Pest Risk Analysis (PRA) report, pests listed in Annex 1 are concluded as quarantine pests associated with fresh strawberry fruits imported from Republic of Korea into Vietnam.

Fresh strawberry fruits imported from Republic of Korea into Vietnam shall be complied with following requirements.

1. Registration

- a) Greenhouses, packing facilities for strawberry fruits exported to Vietnam shall be registered with the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of Republic of Korea (QIA);
- b) Greenhouses, packing houses, storage and treatment facilities shall be undergone, on a regular basis, disinfection and phytosanitary inspection by QIA in order to prevent entry and re-infestation of pests;
- c) All registered greenhouses, packing facilities for strawberry fruits export to Vietnam must be managed in accordance with “A guidelines for standard management of export orchards”;
- d) Registration records will be made available for inspection and audit by PPD on request.

2. Pre-harvest pest management

Following conditions are applied for risk management of *Aphelenchoides ritzemabosi* (Schwartz) Steiner & Buhrer, *Ditylenchus acris* (Thorne) and *Ditylenchus dipsaci* (Kuhn) Filipjev at pre-harvested stage:

- a) Strawberry fruits must be grown in sterilized soil-free growing media in greenhouses registered with and monitored by QIA to ensure that fruits are free of pests mentioned above. Details of the pest control programs must be provided to PPD upon request;
- b) If any of those quarantine pests of Vietnam is detected during surveillance activities or joint inspection of greenhouses, then QIA will remove the orchard from the registered list.

3. Post-harvest pest management

Following options are applied for risk management of quarantine pests (Annex 1) at post harvested stage:

3.1. Inspection of pests

QIA must also ensure that all export greenhouses are inspected for pests.

3.2. Sorting and packing process

- a) Strawberry fruits exporting to Vietnam shall be sorted and packed only in packing houses registered with QIA and ensure the removal of fruits which are infested by pests and diseases;
- b) On the outside of the export packing boxes of strawberry fruits shall be marked “For Vietnam” and “the name (or registration code) of greenhouses and packing houses”.

c) The packing material must comply with ISPM 15.

4. Pre-export inspection

a) The phytosanitary import permit shall be delivered by PPD to the importer. This phytosanitary import permit will be presented by the Korean exporter to QIA to request a phytosanitary certificate.

b) QIA shall perform fruit cut inspection and lab testing of fruits produced in registered greenhouses for export to Vietnam before export to certify freedom from pests.

c) A phytosanitary certificate issued by QIA is required for each consignment. Each phytosanitary certificate must be included the additional declaration, stating in English:

“The consignment was inspected in the Republic of Korea and found free from quarantine pests specified at Annex 1 of Phytosanitary import requirements for the importation of fresh strawberry fruits (Fragaria ananassa Duchense) from the Republic of Korea into Vietnam”.

c) The consignment must be also practically free from soil, plant debris/leaf.

5. Import inspection

Upon arrival in Vietnam, every consignment shall be inspected by PPD. If any quarantine pest is detected during inspection, the consignment shall be treated according to Vietnamese phytosanitary regulations.

6. Review policy

6.1. PPD reserves the right to review this phytosanitary requirement at any time if quarantine pests are detected. The review is also considered when the phytosanitary status of the exporting country has changed.

6.2. In the event of living quarantine pest intercepted, PPD will temporary ban and may audit export certification procedures in the Republic of Korea. Where PPD has determined that such audits are necessary, the costs of these audits must be borne by the Republic of Korea

ANNEX 1

NEMATODES	
APHELENCHIDA	
Aphelenchoididae	
1	<i>Aphelenchoides ritzemabosi</i> (Schwartz) Steiner & Buhrer
TYLENCHIDA	
Anguinina	
2	<i>Ditylenchus acris</i> (Thorne)
3	<i>Ditylenchus dipsaci</i> (Kuhn) Filipjev