

Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of U.S. Processing Potatoes

(In case of any discrepancy between the Chinese text and the English translation thereof, the Chinese text shall govern.)

1. The importation of fresh potatoes for processing purposes from the United States of America (“processing potatoes”) must be regulated pursuant to the “Plant Protection and Quarantine Act” and its enforcement rules, the “Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Plants or Plant Products into Taiwan (Republic of China)”, as well as the quarantine requirements.
2. The importation of processing potatoes must be accompanied by phytosanitary certificates issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and be in compliance with the following requirements.
 - 2.1 Processing potatoes must be washed and treated with a sprout inhibitor:
 - 2.1.1. Processing potatoes in storage will be treated with a sprout inhibitor via fumigation according to label rates.
 - 2.1.2. Processing potatoes in storage multiple months will be treated with additional applications of a sprout inhibitor via fumigation according to label rates.
 - 2.1.3. Prior to export to Taiwan, all processing potatoes will be washed and treated on the packing line with a sprout inhibitor according to label rates.
 - 2.1.4. The exporter must provide the certifying officer with credible documentation (e.g., grower declaration/records and packing shed records) that demonstrates that the processing potatoes have been treated with sprout inhibitor in accordance with 2.1.1. - 2.1.3, as applicable.
 - 2.2 During phytosanitary inspection processing potatoes with evidence of sprouting or soil shall be rejected.
 - 2.3 The phytosanitary certificate needs to state that the potatoes in this shipment are for processing only.
 - 2.4 The phytosanitary certificate needs to state that the potatoes in this shipment were treated with sprout inhibitors.
 - 2.5 For importation from states where the *Phytophthora infestans* A2 occurs, the

phytosanitary certificate needs to state that the potatoes have been thoroughly inspected and found free from *Phytophthora infestans* A2 Mating Type and originated from areas free from *Phytophthora infestans* A2 Mating Type.

2.6 For importation from states where the Zebra chip (*Candidatus Liberibacter psyllaurosus* = *Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum*) occurs, the phytosanitary certificate needs to state that the potatoes have been thoroughly inspected and found free from *Candidatus Liberibacter psyllaurosus* (= *Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum*).

2.7 For importation from states where the *Phthorimaea operculella* (Zeller), *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* Say, *Naupactus leucoloma* Boheman, *Ditylenchus dipsaci* (Kuhn) Filipjev, *Ditylenchus destructor* Thorne, or *Rhizoglyphus echinopus* Fumouze and Robin occur, the phytosanitary certificate needs to state that the potatoes have been thoroughly inspected and found free from above-mentioned pests or state that the potatoes have undergone an appropriate quarantine treatment prior to shipment. If the shipments are exported after treatment, the information regarding the treatment, including the date, method, chemicals used with dosage, duration, temperature or other relevant information of the treatment need to be stated on the phytosanitary certificate.

3. Procedures, methods and sampling methods for import inspection shall comply with Taiwan's "Plant Protection and Quarantine Act", "Enforcement Rules on the Plant Protection and Quarantine Act", and other related regulations.

4. Imports of processing potatoes will be rejected if any one of the following situations exist:

4.1 The phytosanitary certificate issued by APHIS is not presented.

4.2 The phytosanitary certificate does not comply with the requirements 2.3 to 2.7 and is not revised after notification by the plant quarantine authority of Taiwan to correct the phytosanitary certificate within a specified time limit.

4.3 Processing potatoes and their packages or containers are contaminated with soil.

5. Shipments of processing potatoes that meet the requirements above will be permitted immediate entry.

5.1 Processing potatoes exhibiting rot, mold, or sprouting upon arrival in Taiwan will be permitted entry subject to additional safeguarding and processing measures at a processing facility.

5.2 Processing potatoes will be safeguarded and transported directly to a potato processing facility.

5.3 Upon arrival at a processing facility, processing potatoes will be sorted and any potatoes exhibiting sprouts over 5 millimeters or excess levels of rot or mold will be separated, removed from further processing, and properly disposed of.