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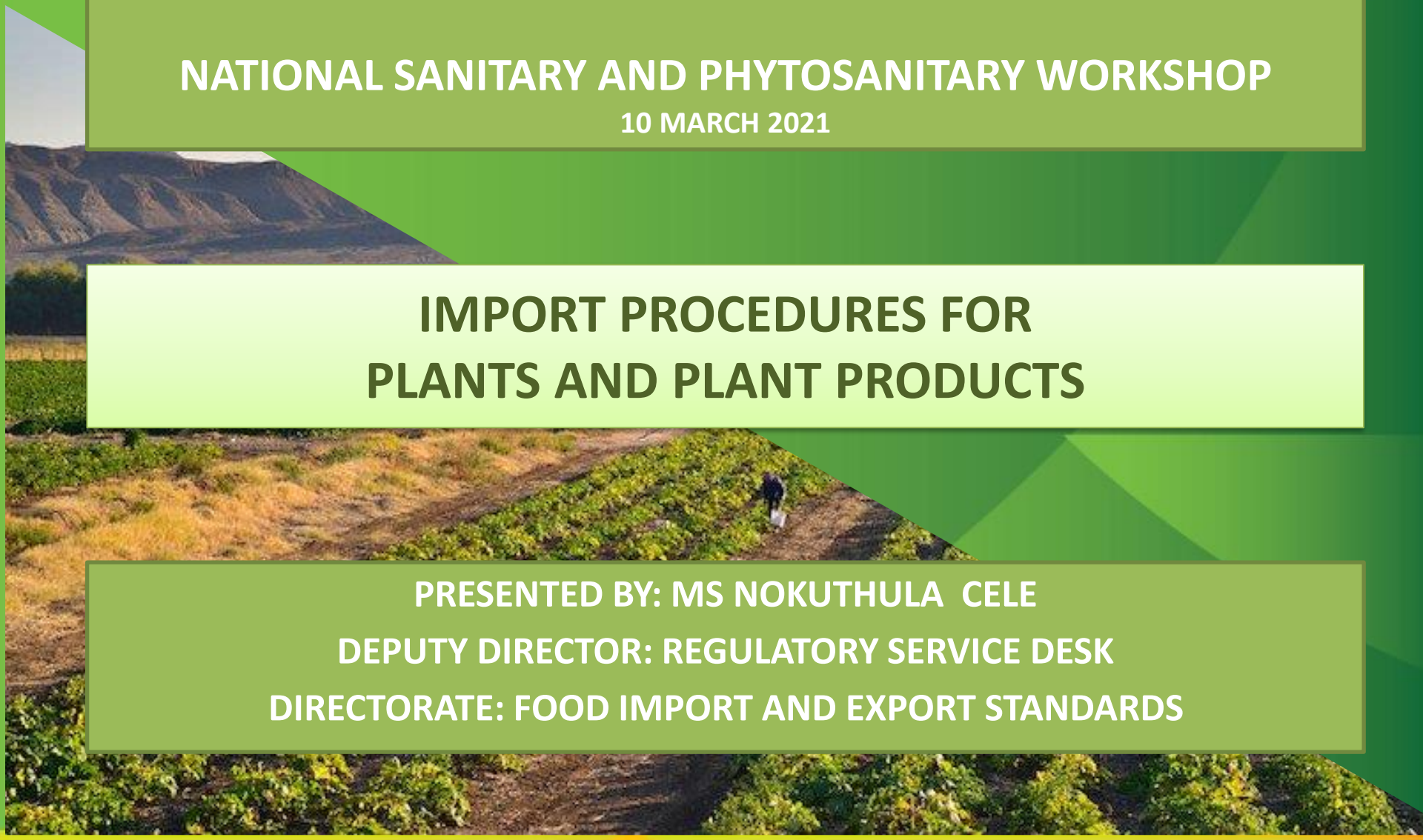

IMPORT PROCEDURES FOR PLANTS AND PLANT PRODUCTS

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IMPORTATION OF PLANTS AND PLANT PRODUCTS

Introduction

DALRRD is responsible for the management of risks associated with plant pests and diseases

Legislative Framework

Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act No. 36 of 1983) (APA) and its subordinate legislations as amended

1. Regulations R.111 of 27 January 1984

Provides for the importation of plants, plant products and other regulated articles by means of import permit

2. Government Notices R.1013 of 26 May 1989; provides for the importation of controlled goods without a permit, subject to requirements stipulated in that notice.

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Legislative Mandate continued

The aim of the Act is to provide for measures by which agricultural pests may be **prevented and combated** and for matters connected therewith. The Act also mandates the National Plant Protection Organization of South Africa (NPPOZA) to regulate plants, plant products and other regulated articles when imported into South Africa.

The Agricultural Pests Act and the above Regulations may be obtained from the following link:- https://www.dalrrd.gov.za/Branches/Agricultural-Production-Health-Food-Safety/Plant-Health/National-Control-Measures/Legislations-and-Regulations

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Legislative Mandate continued

Section 3(1) of the Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act No. 36 of 1983) states that

"no person shall import into the Republic

(a)any plant, pathogen, insect, exotic animal, growth medium, infectious thing, honey, beeswax or used apiary equipment;

(b)anything determined by the Minister by notice in the Gazette, **except on the authority of a permit**".

It is therefore a requirement to apply for an import permit for controlled well in advance in cases where it is required.

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Import procedures

1. Enquire with the National Plant Protection Organization of South Africa (NPPOZA) whether a phytosanitary import permit is required or not required.

2. Apply for an import permit if the commodity to be imported is not exempted in terms of Government Notices R.1013 of 26 May 1989.

3. Ensure compliance with phytosanitary measures if the commodity to be imported is exempted from an import permit.

4. Ensure compliance with phytosanitary import requirements that must be complied with in case a permit is required in terms of Regulations R.111 of 27 January 1984

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Import procedures continued

5. Forward a copy of the import permit to the exporter or supplier in the exporting country to ensure that the consignment to be exported meets the phytosanitary import requirements of South Africa.

6. Ensure that the exporter or supplier presents the commodity to be imported to the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of the exporting country for phytosanitary inspection and certification where necessary in terms of the permit and/or exemption requirements.

7. Inform the exporter or supplier to send the original phytosanitary certificate with the consignment to South Africa (if a phytosanitary certificate is required).

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Application Form and Tariffs

- Complete the CORRECT application form in block letters, legibly and in full and make the CORRECT payment of the tariff prescribed.
- The application form can be obtained from:- https://www.dalrrd.gov.za/Branches/Agricultural-Production-Health-Food-Safety/Plant-Health/Import-into-SA
- The completed application form **together** with proof of payment must be emailed to PlantHealthPermits@Dalrrd.gov.za.
- Applications must be submitted at least **30 days prior to the date of arrival of the goods in the Republic**.
- In cases where phytosanitary import conditions are not in place, the application will be routed to the Directorate: Plant Health for Pest Risk analysis .

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CONTROLLED GOODS IN TERMS OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGRICULTURAL PESTS ACT, 1983 (ACT No. 36 OF 1983)

STANDARD APPLICATION: MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST **30 WORKING DAYS** PRIOR TO THE DATE OF ARRIVAL OF THE GOODS CONCERNED IN SOUTH AFRICA.

OTHER APPLICATIONS: APPLICANT WILL BE NOTIFIED OF HANDLING PROCEDURES.

DIRECTOR: DIRECTORATE: PLANT HEALTH, P.O. BOX 40024, ARCADIA, PRETORIA, 0007; OR
FAX: 27 12 319 6370 / E-MAIL PlantHealthPermits@daff.gov.za / TEL: 27 12 319 6102/ 6207/ 6383/ 6130/ 6396

I, the undersigned, hereby apply for a permit in terms of section 3(1) of the Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act No 36 of 1983), to import the controlled goods of which the particulars appear hereunder, into South Africa. I hereby declare that the goods concerned do not contain any genetically manipulated organisms.

* Description of controlled goods	Name of variety of plants (where applicable)	Quantity (number or mass)	Full name and address of foreign supplier	Port of entry	Purpose of which imported

Country of origin ..... Name of company/applicant .....

Postal Address of applicant .....

Code ..... Telephone / Cell phone no. ..... Fax no. .....

E-mail address.....

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT PRINTED: NAME AND SURNAME OF APPLICANT DATE

* **In the case of a plant (including seed), pathogen, insect or exotic animal, the scientific as well as the common name thereof shall be specified.**

Collection of permits: -

Personal ☐ **Courier (Importer to make own arrangement)** ☐ **Post:** ☐ **Port of entry:** .....

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Directorate Plant Health

Permit No. **P0104885**

PERMIT FOR THE IMPORTATION OF CONTROLLED GOODS

In terms of the provisions of section 3(1) of the Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act 36 of 1983) and subject to the conditions stated here under, authorisation is hereby granted to-

Tel No:

to import into the Republic the following controlled goods **SEED FOR PLANTING**

ZEA MAYS	**1000**	**KG**
ALLIUM SPP	**200**	**KG**
CAPSICUM SPP	**20**	**KG**
BRASSICA SPP	**20**	**KG**
CITRULLUS SPP	**60**	**KG**
CUCUMIS SPP	**60**	**KG**
CUCURBITA SPP	**80**	**KG**

IMPORTANT : This permit does not exempt the holder from the provisions of any other Act, ordinance or agreement

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DIRECTORATE PLANT HEALTH
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DIRECTORATE PLANT HEALTH
P.O.BOX 40024 ARCADIA 0007

Date

Executive Officer

Reference Number **3/20/577**

INQUIRIES : TEL.: (012)319 6102 (Christina Makgoba) **FAX: (012)319 6370**

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LACTUCA SPP	**100**	**KG**
LYCOPERSICON SPP	**10**	**KG**
DAUCUS SPP	**320**	**KG**

Name and address of foreign supplier **VARIOUS SUPPLIERS/COUNTRIES**

Conditions **1. AS ATTACHED**

Port of Entry : **O R TAMBO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Import authorized from **2021/03/07** TO **2022/03/07**

IMPORTANT : This permit does not exempt the holder from the provisions of any other Act, ordinance or agreement

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BANKING DETAILS-PHYTOSANITARY IMPORT PERMITS

Name of Bank: **STANDARD BANK OF SOUTH AFRICA**

Account Holder : **DAFF: Import of controlled Goods**

Account Number: **011251735**

Branch Code: **010845**

Branch Name: **ARCADIA**

Reference: **Importers Name & Surname / Company Name**

- Payments can also be made at the Departments Cashiers.

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Port of Entry Procedures

The following must be presented to the Executive Officer at the port of entry:

- Phytosanitary Import Permit where applicable
- Original Phytosanitary Certificate where applicable
- Any other documentation specified e.g.: The Customs Declaration Form (SAD 500), packing list etc…

CHALLENGES

1. Incomplete applications
2. Unsigned applications
3. Incorrect payment
4. Incorrect company name
5. Incorrect info with enquiries
6. Incorrect email address
7. Delays from post office
8. Delayed enquiries
9. Late / Emergency applications
10. Renewal applications

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Complete as per application form, ask for clarity where necessary
2. Please sign and date application
3. Enquire and ensure correct payment is made and sent with application form
4. Company name cannot be amended, Use correct name or pay & apply for a new permit
5. Please follow up with correct details
6. Please ensure email address on application is valid
7. Use a Courier company
8. Follow up
9. APPLY WELL IN ADVANCE TO IMPORTATION
10. Are regarded as new application due to the permit has expired- normal application process to be followed

CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME	DESIGNATION	CONTACT	E-MAIL
Ms. Christina Makgoba	Chief Plant Health Officer	012 319 6102 060 9733481	PlantHealthPermits@Dalrrd.gov.za
Ms. Nokuthula Cele	Deputy Director-Regulatory Service Desk	012 319 6313 060 973 4078	ThuleN@Dalrrd.gov.za

Thank you