

NOTICE 319 OF 2004**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****NOTIFICATION ON COMPLIANCE TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARD FOR
PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES No. 15 – “GUIDELINES FOR REGULATING WOOD
PACKAGING MATERIAL IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE”**

The Minister of Agriculture is hereby issuing a notification that the phytosanitary measures described in International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 – “Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade”, will be a requirement for the importation of solid wood packaging material into various countries, including South Africa.

South Africa will implement the requirements on publication of this Notice in the Government Gazette.

The United States of America and Canada have notified the WTO (World Trade Organization) that they will implement the international standard from May, 2004 and the EU has notified the WTO that they will implement the international standard from 1 July 2004.

All manufacturers of and treatment providers for solid wood packaging material in South Africa for exporting purposes shall register at the National Department of Agriculture to qualify as an authorised user of the required treatment verification mark for those products that comply to the requirements of the international standard: International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 – “Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade”.

Applications for registration can be obtained from:

- 1 Department of Agriculture
Deputy Director: Plant Health
30 Hamilton Street
Harvest House
Room 208A
Pretoria.

Tel. No's: (012) 319-6100/6399/6310
Fax no: (012) 319-6350
2. Department of Agriculture's Website:
<http://www.nda.agric.za>
National Regulatory and other Services
National Plant Protection Organisation

**KENNISGEWING 319 VAN 2004
DEPARTEMENT VAN LANDBOU**

**KENNISGEWING VAN VOLDOENING AAN DIE "NOTIFICATION ON COMPLIANCE TO
INTERNATIONAL STANDARD FOR PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES No. 15 – "
GUIDELINES FOR REGULATING WOOD PACKAGING MATERIAL IN INTERNATIONAL
TRADE" (ISPM 15)**

Die Minister van Landbou vaardig hiermee 'n kennisgewing uit dat die fitosanitêre vereistes beskryf in "International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 – Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade", sal 'n voorwaarde wees vir die invoer van soliede hout verpakkingsmateriaal na verskeie lande, ingesluit Suid Afrika.

Suid Afrika sal die voorwaardes implimenteer met publikasie van hierdie kennisgewing in die Staatskoerant.

Die Verenigde State van Amerika en Kanada het kennis gegee aan die WHO (Wêreld Handels Organisasie) dat hulle die internasionale standaard vanaf Mei 2004 implimenteer en die Europese Unie het kennis gegee dat hulle vanaf 1 Julie 2004 die internasionale standard implimenteer.

Alle vervaardigers van soliede hout verpakkings material en persone wat soliede hout verpakkings material behandel in Suid Afrika vir uitvoer doeleindes, moet by die Nasionale Departement van Landbou registreer ten einde te kwalifiseer as 'n gemagtigde gebruiker van die behandelings verifiërings merk vir daardie produkte wat voldoen aan die vereistes van die internasionale standard: "International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 – Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade".

Aansoeke vir registrasie kan verkry word van:

- 1 **Departement van Landbou**
Adjunk direkteur: Plantgesondheid
Hamiltonstraat 30
Harvest House
Kamer 208A
Pretoria

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