

Implementation Plan

1. Name of Standard

RSPM 29: *Guidelines for the Petition for Import and Release of Non-Apis Pollinating Insects into NAPPO Countries*

2. Country Reporting

Canada

3. Relevant Authority

3.1 Current Authority

Plant Protection Act (1990, c. 22) and Plant Protection Regulations Health of Animals Act (1990, c. 21)

3.2 Revisions to Authority

None required

4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard

Changes to Legal Authority: No changes to *Acts* or *Regulations* are required.

5. Implementation of Standard

The CFIA could implement the requirements of RSPM 29 by requiring, as appropriate, that importers complete the petition process before a plant protection import permit may be issued.

The CFIA will follow the general time lines listed below. A harmonized implementation date, among the NAPPO member countries is necessary.

Activity

Estimated Completion Date

Update and publication of an import policy directive on living organisms, which would communicate to importers the process and requirements relevant to the implementation of RSPM 29.

2014 at the earliest