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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 137 of the Animal and Plant Biosecurity Act, 2014, the Minister of Natural Resources on the advice of the Seychelles Agricultural Agency and the National Biosecurity Committee makes the following Regulations—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Animal and Citation Plant Biosecurity (Animal and Plant) Regulations, 2014.

# 2. In these Regulations —

Interpretation

"international reporting requirements" means the obligations of the national plant protection organisation to report on the status of pests and diseases to competent international authorities and national authorities of trading partners under the provisions of—

- (a) the agreement on the application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures;
- (b) the International Plant Protection Convention; and
- (c) other international and regional agreements and treaties to which Seychelles is signatory;

"Convention" means the International Plant

Protection Convention adopted on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 1951 at Rome and includes amendment thereto;

"national plant protection organisation" means the Seychelles Agricultural Agency designated by the President under section 4 of the Act.

Identification marks

**3.** A biosecurity officer may, for the purposes of the Act, apply or cause to be applied an identification mark to an animal, animal product, container, premises, equipment, vehicle or aircraft.

Surety

- **4.**(1) The master of an incoming vessel or captain of an incoming aircraft which has on board a live animal for which no permission has been granted to remain in the Republic shall execute a bond with the Government in the amount of SCR10,000 to ensure that the animal is on board the vessel or aircraft leaves Seychelles in compliance with section 46 (3) of the Act.
- (2) The amount of the bond entered into pursuant to subregulation (1) shall be reimbursed upon confirmation that the animal on board the vessel or aircraft has left Seychelles.

Chief Veterinary Officer to be official contact 5. The Chief Veterinary Officer shall be the official contact for the purposes of the fulfillment of Seychelles' obligations under the World Organisation for Animal Health.

Chief Plant Protection Officer to be official contact point **6.** The Chief Plant Protection Officer shall be the official contact point for the purposes of the fulfillment of Seychelles' obligations under the Convention.

National Plant Protection Organisation 7. The Seychelles Agricultural Agency shall be the national plant protection organisation for Seychelles for the purposes of fulfillment of Seychelles' obligations under any international and regional agreements and treaties to which it is signatory and in particular the International Plant Protection Convention.

**8.**(1) The Agency shall comply with all international reporting requirements under the international and regional agreements and treaties in accordance with these regulations, for the fulfillment of Seychelles' obligations under those agreements.

International Reporting Requirements

- (2) The Agency shall provide the following information to the IPPC Secretariat and other contracting parties to the Convention in pursuant to Seychelles' obligations under the International Plant Protection Convention
  - (a) the contact point for Seychelles for the exchange of information connected with the implementation of the Convention;
  - (b) official pest reports on plant pests in particular on the occurrence, outbreak or spread of pests that may be of immediate or potential danger;
  - (c) a description of the Agency and changes made in the constitution of the in Agency;
  - (d) written laws in Seychelles establishing phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions;
  - (e) points of entry in Seychelles through which particular plants or plant products are required to be imported;
  - (f) a list of regulated pests; and
  - (g) emergency actions taken on the detection of a pest posing a potential threat to Seychelles or the report of such a detection.
- (3) The Seychelles Agricultural Agency may, on request, provide information on the following —

- (a) any significant instances of non-compliance with phytosanitary certification;
- (b) a description of its organizational arrangements for plant protection;
- (c) pest status; or
- (d) the rationale for phytosanitary requirements, restrictions and prohibitions adopted by Seychelles.

Phytosanitary certificate

**9.** A phytosanitary certificate issued pursuant to section 120(1) of the Act shall be in the form specified in the Schedule.

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#### **SCHEDULE**

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#### PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

Under Section 120(1) of the Animal and Plant Biosecurity Act, 2014 (Act 10 of 2014)

1. Name and address, of exporter	
2. Declared name and address of consignee	
3. The name of National Plant Protection Organisation of the importing country	
4. Place of origin	
5. Declared means of conveyance	

6. Declared point of entry					
Distinguish marks; number and description of packages; name of produce; botanical name of plants					
8. Quantity					
9. This is to certify that the plants or plant products described above have been inspected according to appropriate procedures, and are considered to be free from quarantine pests, and practically free from other injurious pests, and that they are considered to conform with the current phytosanitary of the importing country.					
10. Additional declaration					
DISINFECTION AND /OR DISINFECTREATMENT	CTION				
11. Treatment					
12. Chemical (active ingredient)					
13. Duration and temperature					
14. Concentration					
15. Date					
17. Place of issue		Date			
Name of authorised Officer		Signature			
		Stamp of Organisation			

MADE this 17th day of October, 2014.

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