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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Tomato (<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>) seed for sowing.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Import Health Standard for Importation of Seed for Sowing – IHS 155.02.05. English, 156 pages. Risk Management Proposal: <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> (tomato) seed for sowing, from all countries. English, 19 pages.
6.	Description of content: New import requirements for tomato seed for sowing from all countries.
7.	Objective and rationale: Plant protection
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: International Plant Protection Convention: ISPM N°4, ISPM N°10. Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: N/A
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): TBC Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 29/06/2012
11.	Proposed date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy): Six months from date of publication
12.	Final date for comments: DATE: 07/06/2012 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 0431; Fax: +64 4 894 0733; E-mail: sps@maf.govt.nz
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