

REGULATORY EXPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR PLANTS & OTHER PLANT PRODUCTS INCL COTTON TO TARGET MARKETS

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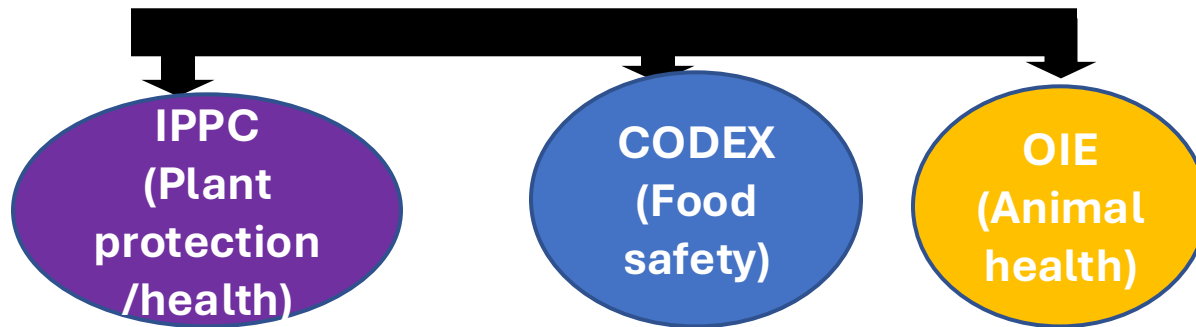
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Overview of NPPOZA

NPPOZA serve as contact point for the plant health related matters. This is in accordance to IPPC principles, which falls under 3 standard setting bodies that recognizes by WTO-SPS, below fig.



➤ **NPPOZA consists of 3 Directorates, namely:**

- Plant Health (DPH) (policy),
- Inspection Services (DIS) (operational) &
- Food Import and Export Standard (DFIES) (awareness and promotion).

➤ **DPH responsible to:**

- Provide a national plant health contact point for SA (NPPOZA);
- Manage bi-lateral and multi-lateral plant health agreements and standards;
- Manage plant health import/ export programmes and protocols;
- Conduct policy audits to ensure that pest management is in compliance with plant health export measures and standards;
- Manage information in support of pest risk analysis and phytosanitary import and export requirements.



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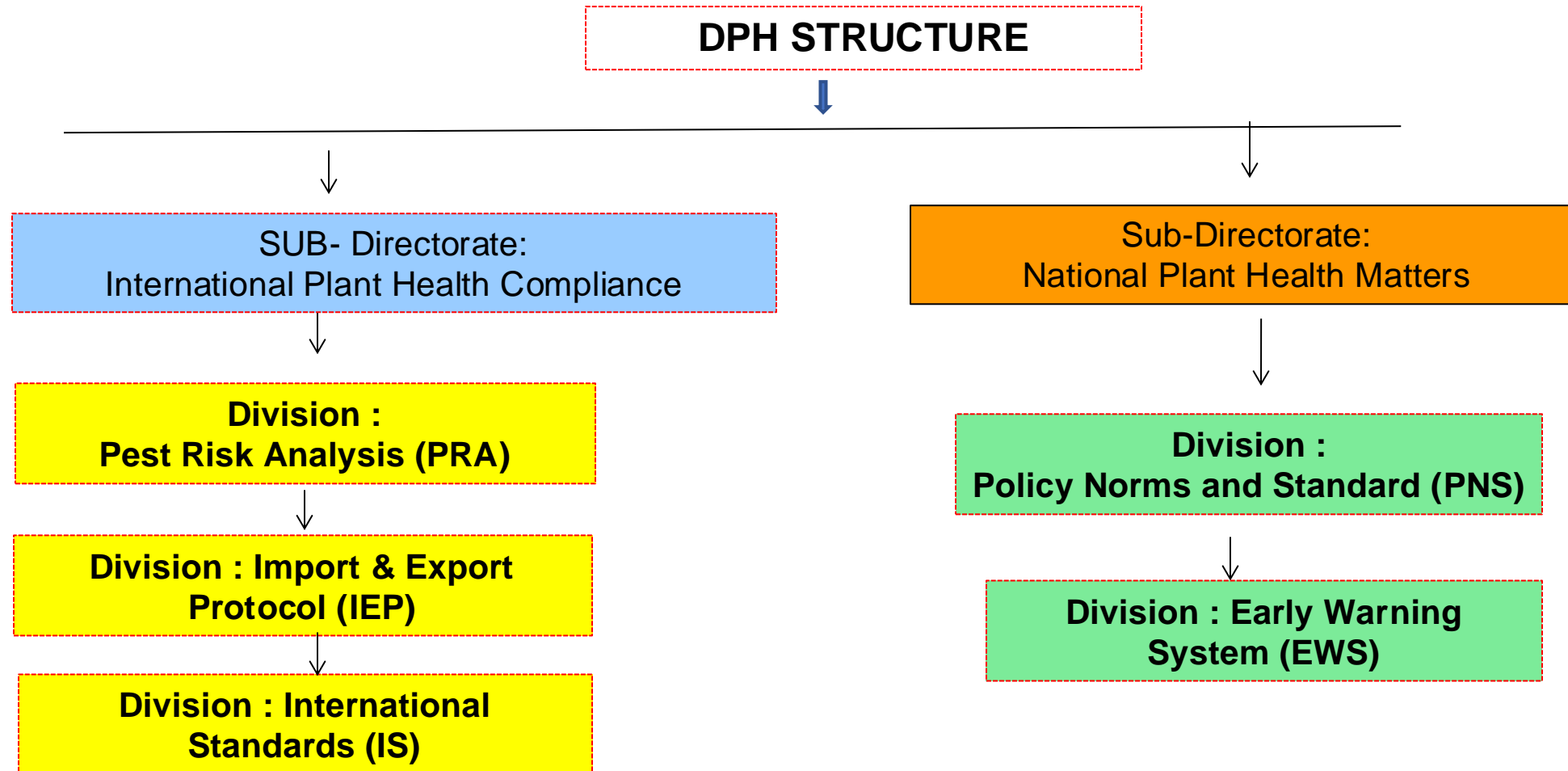


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Market Access Initiation

Note: The Industry/client identify their market in the trading country and engage with their client/s to request import permit. Once the import permit is provided, with no regulatory requirements, the export could start.

However, once the import permit requires the country to confirm compliance on quarantine pest of concern before the export is initiated, the client approach the DALRRD DPH with their request.

- DPH with relevant DALRRD Directorates, evaluates the information and send an official letter of request to the trading partners for market access;
- The trading partners send the pest information questionnaire (PIQ) for completion;
- DPH consult with relevant Industry and institutions to compile the pest information package (PIP) based on the PIQ;
- DPH evaluate the PIP, finalize and provide to the trading partners accordingly;
- The trading partners conduct pest risk analysis (PRA) and request the exporting country (SA) to provide the risk management measures for the identified quarantine pests of concern;
- The DPH will exchange the technical information on risk management measures with the trading partner;



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Market Access Initiation Cont.....

➤ The trading partners might require that:

- Upon the finalization of the import requirements, to visit the facilities intended to participate in the export programme from SA;
- All expenses of the visit are paid by the country of export (relevant industries incur cost);
- Once agreement is reached by both countries, the protocol will be signed either by Ministers/President etc depending on the agreement;
- The participating facilities be registered with unique codes for traceability;
- The registered facilities be inspected by the relevant authority in the trading countries and;
- The registered list be sent on annual basis for approval before the export commences;
- DPH with relevant DALRRD roleplayers, annually organizes workshops to discuss all the export requirements before the start of each export season where applicable to ensure compliances.

➤ Note: Eligible participation for export is mainly for Commercial farming.



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Current Products & Markets Under Negotiations

Note:

- Currently we don't have any regulations for export of **Cotton** from SA to different countries. However, we are still working on the PIP for market access request to China.

- **Cotton & Fresh Rooibos:** China.
- **Maize seed, Avocado, Onion, Pomegranates & Kumquats:** USA;
- **Blueberries:** Thailand, South Korea, Israel & Philippines;
- **Mango :** Japan & USA;
- **Pears :** Thailand;
- **Stone fruits:** China, Thailand, Philippines & Israel (Plums)
- **Table Grapes:** Philippines, South Korea, Mexico & Japan (Other varieties);
- **Other Citrus types:** Japan & Vietnam.



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Current Approved Existing Protocols/Directives & Permits Markets

Note: These are regular international markets that require a specific systems approach concerning pest risk mitigation options and logistics involved in managing the programme as stipulated in a bilaterally agreed protocols/ directives and or import permit to ensure compliance. As an example:

- **Citrus:** China, EU, Japan, South Korea, USA, Thailand, Vietnam (Orange only) & Philippines;
- **Table Grapes:** Israel, China, USA (Incl Wine and Organic), Vietnam, Thailand & Japan;
- **Apples :** USA, Taiwan, Thailand, Mexico & Kenya ;
- **Pears:** USA, Thailand, Mexico, China & Kenya;
- **Litchi:** USA;
- **Stone fruit :** EU & USA.



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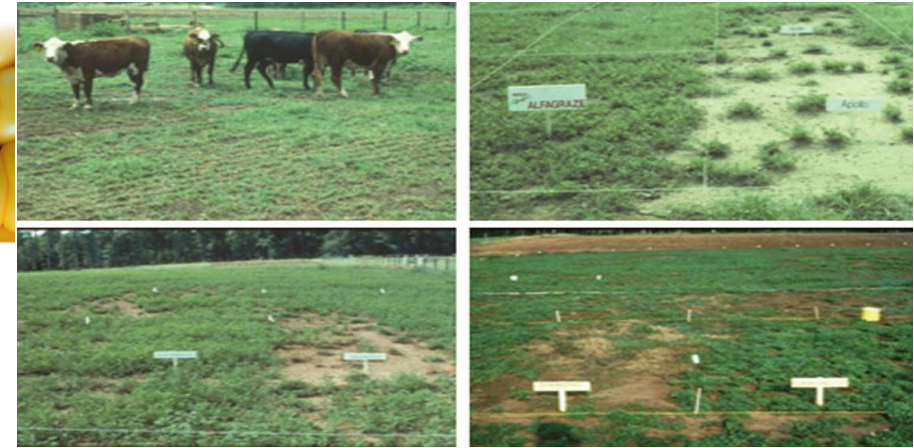
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Current Approved Markets Cont.



Source,
Shrestha et
al., 2019



Source,
Bouton. 2009

- **Persimmons:** Israel & USA
- **Pineapples & Blueberry :** USA
- **Blueberry propagation material:** PERU
- **Mango:** India & EU
- **Maize, Lucerne, Soyabean & processed Rooibos:** China
- **Chilies, Pomegranates & Brinjals:** EU
- **Avocado:** Japan, China & India



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Market Access Maintenance

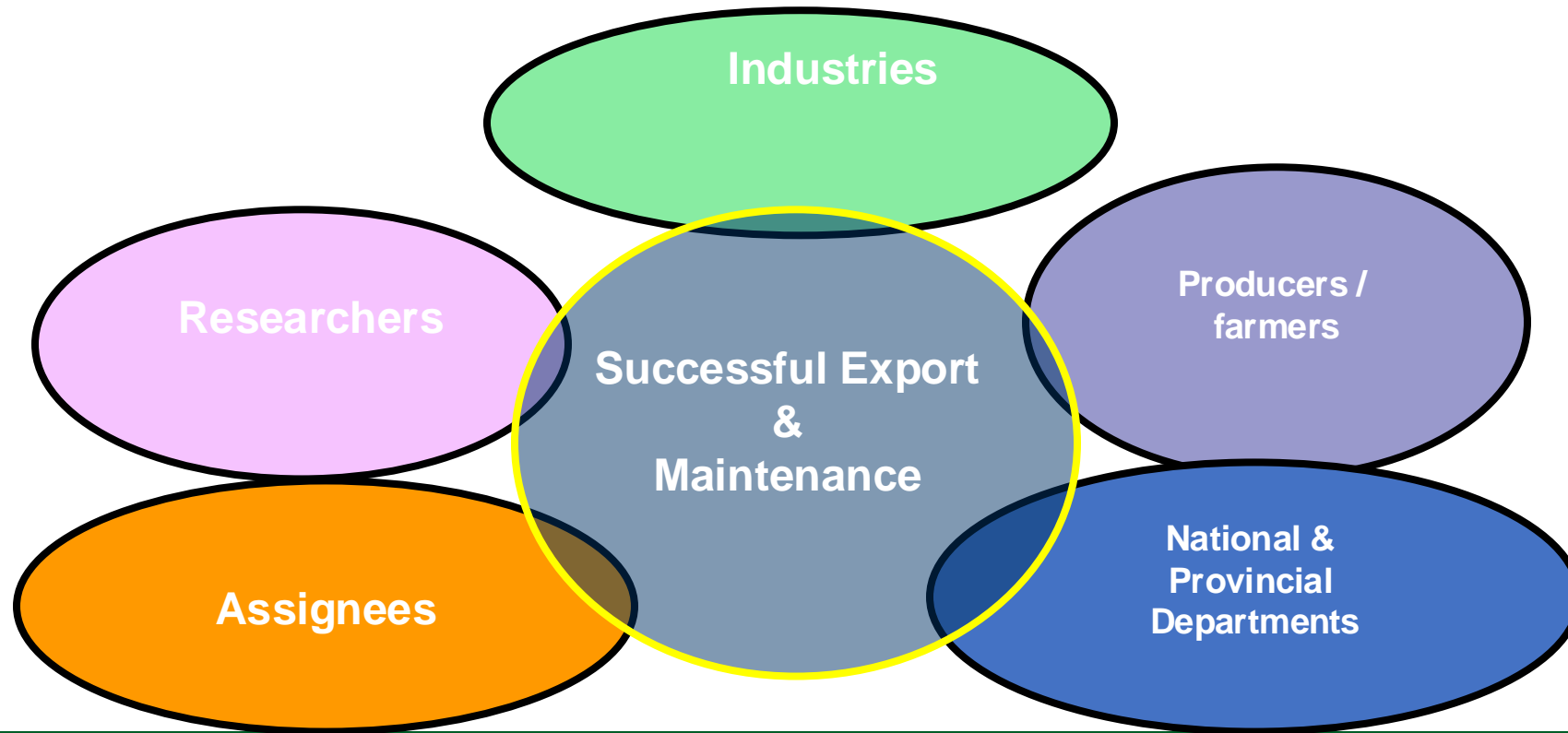
Relies on:

- Application of technical justified measures
- Compliances to bilaterally agreed import requirements/protocols/directives
- A record of credibility i.e., the ability to comply with requirements & provide reliable information;
- Effective monitoring of all program activities by NPPOZA and or authorized designee: Perishable Products Export Control Board (PPECB) with the relevant industries and
- Continuous research on accessible and justified measures to ensure effective management.



Conclusion

COOPERATION OF ALL RELEVANT ROLEPLAYERS IS THE KEY TO SUCCESSFUL EXPORT AND MAINTENANCE



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RECOMMENDATIONS

➤ For more information, visit the website to access the following:

- Current export protocols/directives for above plant products,

<https://www.dalrrd.gov.za>, Core business, Agricultural Production, Health and Food Safety, Natural Resources & Disaster Management, Plant Production & Health, Plant Health, Exporting from SA;

- Step-by-Step Export Manual for the SA Fruit Industry.

https://www.dalrrd.gov.za/images/Branches/AgricProdHealthFoodSafety/PlantProductionHealth/PlantHealth/export-from-sa/export-procedure/exportmanual_safruitindustryaug2010.pdf

- Relevant ISPMs (IPPC website)



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