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General Issues of Interest to the CCB:**EU Updating Phytosanitary Certificate Requirements for Regulated Non-Quarantine Pests**

- On December 17, the European Union (EU) [notified](#) the WTO it has adopted [Regulation \(EU\) 2024/3115](#), amending [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/2031](#) regarding its rules on plant health and pest control. The regulation includes requirements for how non-EU exporters document compliance with EU standards for regulated non-quarantine pests (RNQPs).
- The Regulation entered into force on December 5, 20 days following its publication in the Official Journal of the EU. However, existing requirements will remain valid until July 2026.
- Starting July 6, 2026, exporters to the EU must include a specific "Additional Declaration" on the phytosanitary certificate. This declaration must clearly state the specific pest control measures applied (e.g., "pest-free area" or "country freedom") for any plants, including fruit, listed under Annex V of [Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2072](#).
- The EU plans to revise Annex V of [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/2072](#) to clarify and simplify compliance options for RNQPs (e.g., by updating wording and listing available options), and advises exporters to adjust documentation only after the EU finalizes the amendments to Annex V.

Delivery Notice

- Due to the Christmas holiday, BCI's offices will be closed Tuesday, December 24. Next week's BCI Monitor will be delivered on Monday, December 23.

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