

Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira

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UPDATE ON PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATES FROM FINLAND

Dear Sir/Madam,

We would hereby like to inform you that the phytosanitary certificates issued in Finland will change due to upcoming reorganization of competent Finnish authorities under the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland. From January 1st 2019 the Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira will become the Finnish Food Authority.

We have therefore updated the official stamp of the organization and the seal integrated into the watermarked security paper used for phytosanitary certificates. The updated text contains the name of the competent authority in Finnish and its official translations in Swedish and English: "Ruokavirasto, Livsmedelsverket, Finnish Food Authority". The heraldic lion remains also the same in the seal integrated into the security paper but the updated text contains "Plant Protection Service" in the upper part and "Finnish Food Authority" in the lower part of the seal.

Updated export certificates will be issued starting from January 1st 2019.

Should you have any further questions on this matter, please don't hesitate to contact us at <u>kasvienvienti@evira.fi</u> (from January 1st 2019 <u>kasvienvienti@ruokavirasto.fi</u>).

Sincerely,

Director of Plant Health Unit

Hannu Kukkonen

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Attachment: A copy of the Finnish Phytosanitary Certificate in force from January 1st 2019