

Report of a Pest Risk Management:

This summary presents the conclusions of the pest risk management which has been conducted on the pest, according to the EPPO decision support scheme.

Pest:	<i>Rhynchophorus palmarum</i>
Assessors:	EPPO Secretariat revised by the Panel on Phytosanitary Measures 05-03 and 06-03
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IDENTIFICATION OF THE PATHWAYS

1 Pathways studied in the pest risk management

PATHWAY: Only one type of pathway was considered as presenting a risk: Plants for planting of *Palmae* (except plants in vitro)

2 Other pathways

Parts of *Palmae* were not considered as a significant pathway.
Natural spread was not considered as a pathway.

IDENTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE MEASURES FOR PATHWAYS

Pathway : Plants for planting of *Palmae* from countries where *Rhynchophorus palmarum* occurs.

Measures related to consignments:

- No measures related to consignments have been identified:

Measures related to the crop or to places of production

- area freedom for *R. palmarum*;
- place of production freedom for *R. palmarum* with the following options
 - place of production freedom (including a buffer zone) for two years
 - Plants originating from a pest-free area or pest-free place of production (including a buffer zone) and maintained under protected condition (e.g. under a reinforced net).
 - Plants maintained at least for 2 years under protected condition (e.g. under a reinforced net) and found free from *R. palmarum*

Internal measures

Surveillance and/or eradication campaign.

EVALUATION OF THE MEASURES IDENTIFIED IN RELATION TO THE RISKS PRESENTED BY THE PATHWAYS

The measures only concern plants for planting which are the major pathways

CONCLUSION: SELECTION OF MEASURES

Plants for planting of *Palmae* (except *in vitro* plants) originating in countries where *Rhynchophorus palmarum* occurs

PC and, if appropriate, RC

Area freedom for *Rhynchophorus palmarum* according to EPPO Phytosanitary Procedure No

or

Place of production freedom (including a buffer zone) for *Rhynchophorus palmarum* for at least 2 years

or

The plants have been maintained for at least 2 years under protected condition (e.g. under a reinforced net) and found free from *Rhynchophorus palmarum*

or

The plants originate from a pest-free area or pest-free place of production (including a buffer zone) for *Rhynchophorus palmarum* and have been maintained under protected condition (e.g. under a reinforced net) since their arrival on the place of production.

APPENDIX

For each possible category of measures in the pest risk management scheme, this table could identify specifically the ones which were considered suitable ("possible" in bold) and the ones which were not suitable (with a brief justification)

CATEGORIES OF MEASURES	Pathway n° 1
Detection of the pest in consignments by inspection or testing	
general visual inspection	no
specified testing	no
import under special licence/permit and post-entry quarantine	no
Removal of the pest from the consignment by treatment or other phytosanitary procedures	
specified treatment	no
removal of parts of plants from the consignment	not relevant
Prevention of establishment by limiting the use of the consignment	
import under special licence/permit and specified restrictions	no
Prevention of infestation of the commodity	
specified treatment and/or period of treatment (crop)	no
consignment should be composed of specified cultivars	not suitable
specified protected cultivation	yes but not sufficient
specified age of plant, growth stage or time of year of harvest	no
specific handling/packing methods	not relevant
certification scheme	no
Establishment and maintenance of pest freedom of a crop, place of production or area	
pest freedom of the crop	no
pest-free place of production	no
pest-free place of production and appropriate buffer zone	yes
pest-free area	Area freedom
Prohibition	no
Internal measures	
surveillance and/or eradication campaign	yes