

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 ferrugineus</i>
Assessors:	EPPO Secretariat revised by the Panel on Phytosanitary Measures 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 *R. ferrugineus* 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. ferrugineus*;
- place of production freedom for *R. ferrugineus* with the following options
 - Place of production freedom (including a buffer zone¹) for two years

¹ The Panel faced difficulties in determining the size of the buffer zone. This will be studied further.

- 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. ferrugineus*
- Place of production freedom for 6 month plus adequate preventive treatment and mass trapping.
This option is nevertheless considered as providing a lower level of protection.

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 ferrugineus* occurs

PC and, if appropriate, RC

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

or

Place of production freedom (including a buffer zone) for *Rhynchophorus ferrugineus* 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 ferrugineus*

or

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

A lower level of protection can be achieved with:

Place of production freedom for *Rhynchophorus ferrugineus* for 6 months plus adequate preventive treatment and mass trapping.

APPENDIX

CATEGORIES OF MEASURES	Pathway n° 1
Detection of the pest in consignments by inspection or testing	
general visual inspection	No (not all stages are visible)
specified testing	No (not testing available)
import under special licence/permit and post-entry quarantine	No (post entry quarantine not feasible)
Removal of the pest from the consignment by treatment or other phytosanitary procedures	
specified treatment	No treatment available for consignment
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)	yes but not sufficient
consignment should be composed of specified cultivars	not relevant
specified protected cultivation	yes (reinforced net) +but not sufficient inspection necessary
specified age of plant, growth stage or time of year of harvest	Not relevant
specific handling/packing methods	Not relevant
certification scheme	Not relevant
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

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