

## **US Export Certification Program**

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Phytosanitary Issues Management

Export Services

### **US Export Certification Program**

- Authority, Scope, Structure, Process for Export Certification
- Export Services
- Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance & Tracking (PCIT)
- Phytosanitary Export Database (PExD)
- Electronic Phytosanitary Certification (ePhyto)

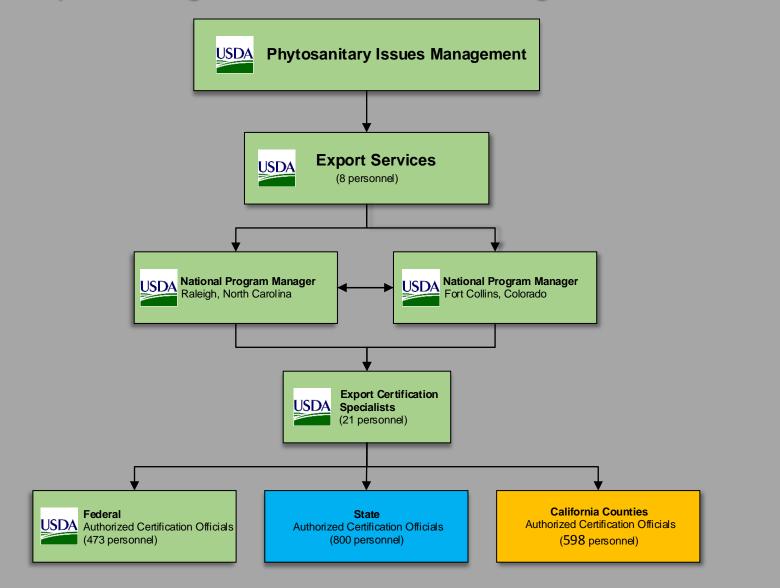


# Export Program Scope

- Exports are not regulated
  - Export Certification is performed as a service to US stakeholders
- U.S. and foreign (reexports) plant and plant products
- Covers only phytosanitary issues = plant health
- Assistance to stakeholders and certifying officials to meet the phytosanitary requirements of foreign countries
- Consistency with international standards
- Accreditation
- Training



### **US Export Program Certification Program Structure**





### **Export Services**

- Establish policy and procedure
- Analyze, interpret, and maintain phytosanitary requirements for over 200 countries (PExD)
- Assist with detained shipment resolution
- Track notices of non-compliance (NNCs)
- Collaborate with PIM staff and industry on evaluating new requirements
- PCIT/PExD maintenance and development
- Financial management US Export Certification Program
  - User fee collection
  - Budget setting

# **Export Services (continued)**

- New or changes to existing policy are usually driven by:
  - US Stakeholders
    - Changes in industry practices
    - Commodity movement patterns
  - Foreign Countries import requirements
    - Pest status changes
    - New administrations
    - New science
    - Politics
- Collaborative process
  - Stakeholders
  - Cooperators State/County/Federal



# Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking (PCIT)



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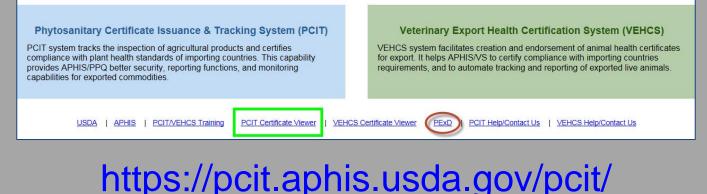
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### **PCIT Features**

- Central tool for the US Export Certification Program
- Role based with +40,000 users world wide
- 8 million+ phytosanitary certificates overall
- Generates 750,000 phytosanitary certificates per year = 1 1/2 certificates per minute - 24/7/365
- Trains and tracks Authorized Certification Officials (ACOs)
- Generate certificates
  - > 31 State phytosanitary certificates (PC),
  - > PPQ Forms 577 (PC Export) and 579 (PC Reexport)
- Standardized process = greater consistency guiding you down the correct path
- Validation of US certificates via the PCIT Certificate viewer
- ePhyto capability
- Supports Export Certification Specialist reviews
   – random auditing
- Held shipment tracking
- Notice of non-compliance tracking

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### PCIT Generated Phytosanitary Certificate

USDA

PLANT PROTECTION AND QUARANTINE PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE					
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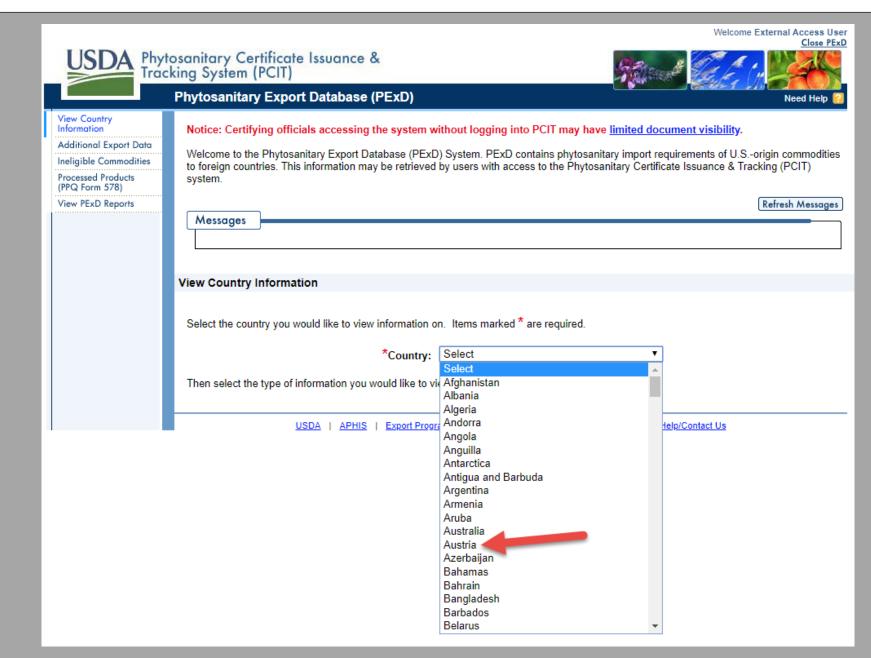
Then select the type of information you would like to view on the selected country.



### **PExD** Features

- Contains all known foreign import requirements for U.S. origin products
- Greater consistency and faster updating when adding foreign import requirements
- Transfers information from templates and tables
  - Additional Declarations
  - Botanical/Common names
  - Exporter and consignee information
- Reporting
  - Harmful Organisms
  - Commodities





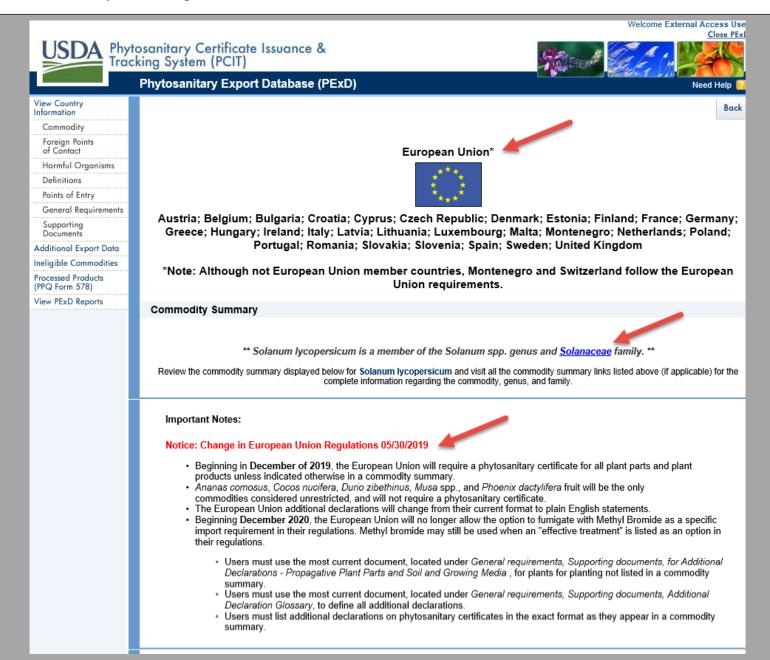
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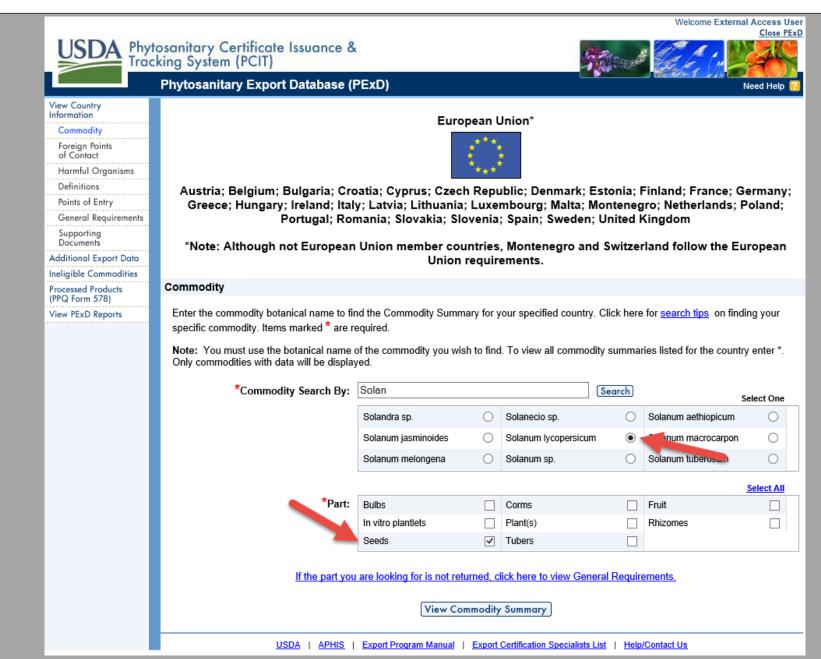


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	Notice: Change in European Union Regulations 05/30/2019
	Beginning in December of 2019, the European Union will require a phytosanitary certificate for all plant parts and plant products
	<ul> <li>unless indicated otherwise in a commodity summary.</li> <li>Ananas comosus, Cocos nucifera, Durio zibethinus, Musa spp., and Phoenix dactylifera fruit will be the only commodities considered unrestricted, and will not require a phytosanitary certificate.</li> <li>The European Union additional declarations will change from their current format to plain English statements.</li> <li>Beginning December 2020, the European Union will no longer allow the option to fumigate with Methyl Bromide as a specific import requirement in their regulations. Methyl bromide may still be used when an "effective treatment" is listed as an option in their regulations.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Users must use the most current document, located under General requirements, Supporting documents, for Additional Declarations - Propagative Plant Parts and Soil and Growing Media, for plants for planting not listed in a commodity summary.</li> <li>Users must use the most current document, located under General requirements, Supporting documents, Additional</li> </ul>
	Declaration Glossary, to define all additional declarations. <ul> <li>Users must list additional declarations on phytosanitary certificates in the exact format as they appear in a commodity summary.</li> </ul>
	Commodity         Foreign Points of Contact           View individual commodity summaries.         View the National Plant Protection Organization contact information for the importing country. Generally, requests for import permits are directed to this organization.
	Harmful Organisms View a list of injurious pests as specified by the importing country. View the definitions and terms which are used by the importing country for official phytosanitary purposes.
	Points of Entry General Requirements
	View a list of airports, seaports and land border points officially designated for the importation of consignments as provided by the importing country. View general phytosanitary information provided by the importing country which does not pertain to specific commodities.







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Commodity Parts:

Seeds

#### Seeds

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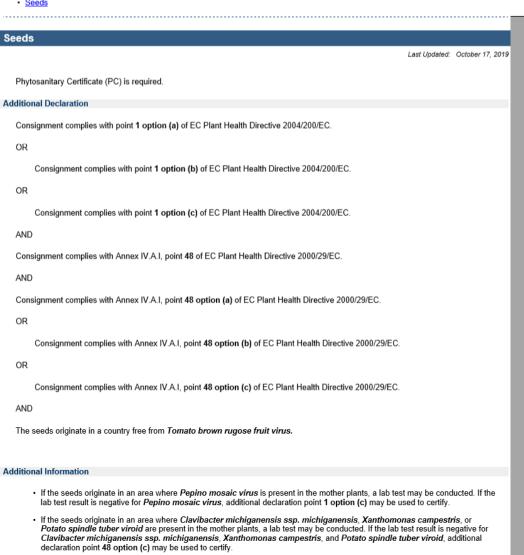
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Click Here to View General Requirements

USDA Contact: Export Certification Specialists List



# PExD commodity summary for Australia

Arachis hypogaea
Commodity Parts:
Nuts (Blanched)     Nuts (Destined to other than processing plant)     Nuts (Raw)     Nuts (Roasted)     Seeds (For propagation)
Nuts (Blanched)
Last Updated: October 04, 2011
Phytosanitary Certificate (PC) is required.
Additional Information
Must be free from insects, soil, restricted and prohibited seed and other contaminants and packed in clean, new packages.
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Nuts (Destined to other than processing plant)
Last Updated: January 09, 2012
Commodity is prohibited. Do not certify unless an Import Permit (IP) is presented.
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Nuts (Raw)
Last Updated: January 31, 2012
Phytosanitary Certificate (PC) and Import Permit (IP) are required. Do not certify unless an IP is presented.
Additional Information
Shipments must be free of soil, insects, contamination with prohibited seeds and other material of quarantine concern and packed in clean, new bags.

#### Note to Exporter:

Shipments consigned to premises outside the metropolitan area will be fumigated on arrival. Consignments will be held and processed under Department of Agriculture and Water Resources supervision at a Department of Agriculture and Water Resources-approved facility and cannot be removed without prior approval from the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources. On arrival the shipment will be subjected to one of the following: Roasted at a temperature of 113C - 115C for 15 minutes; or Processed into peanut butter at 136C - 137C for 15 minutes; or Solvent oil extracted; or Blanched/roasted by a Department of Agriculture and Water Resources.



# Electronic Phytosanitary Certification (ePhyto)

# **IPPC ePhyto Solution**

- Project to facilitate the electronic/digital exchange of phytosanitary certificates
- Allows all countries to participate (national system or the GeNS) on the same playing field in ePhyto
- Funding from the UN, IPPC countries and the World Bank
- Provides credibility, integrity, security, and prevents fraud
- Expedites and facilitates trade
- Reduces certification costs
- Equivalent to paper certificates
- International standardization and harmonization
- Currently the US exchanges with 9 countries
- EU update on ePhyto
  - Will begin sending ePhytos starting January 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Unable to receive US ePhytos
  - Is working on joining the IPPC ePhyto HUB





Improving Safe Trade in Plant and Plant Products



International

Convention

Plant Protection

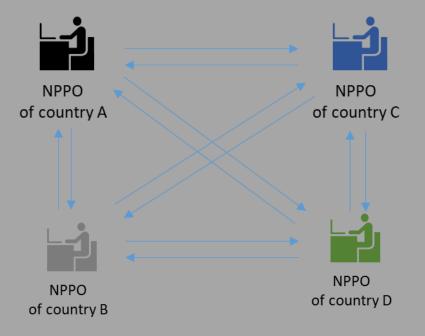




## In the Beginning...

### Point-to-point:

- Directly between NPPOs
- Separate bilateral arrangements with each country to facilitate exchange
- High costs for establishing (@\$40K-120K per connection)
- Annual costs (\$20K-100K) for maintaining all the connections



# **IPPC ePhyto Solution**

The IPPC ePhyto Solution consists of three components:

1. HUB

- Centralized system to facilitate exchange between NPPO national systems
- Single message format
- Data within the message is highly standardized

### 2. Generic ePhyto National System (GeNS)

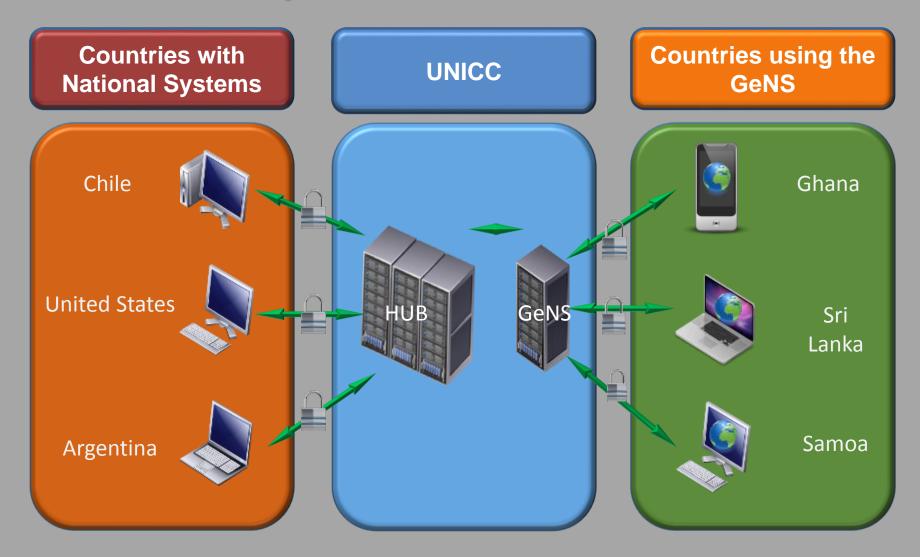
- Web based system
- Only requires computer and internet
- Any participating country automatically connect to Hub exchange
- No development needed for countries adopting the GeNS
- Free to use

### 3. Harmonization

- Ongoing
- Leads to further automation
- Follows ISPM 12



### **IPPC ePhyto Solution: HUB and GeNS**





### ePhyto Message Example

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### ePhyto Paper Example

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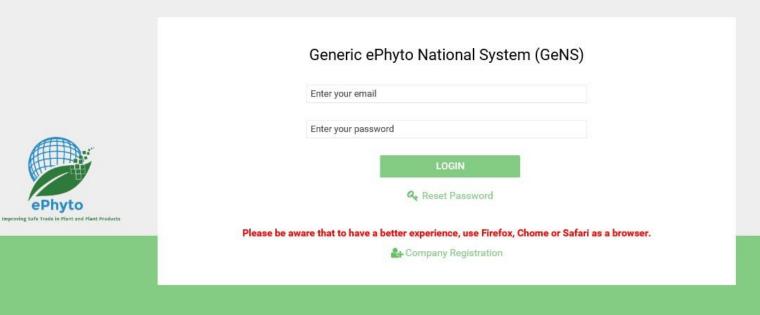
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- HUB fully operational since June 2019
- Argentina, Chile, Netherlands, New Zealand, Ghana, Jamaica, Samoa and the US
- 27+ other countries in various stages of connecting (Canada, the EU, Korea, China)
- Generic ePhyto National System (GeNS) operational since July 2019
- Sri Lanka, Samoa, and Ghana original pilot countries
- Ghana and Jamaica are now using the GeNS
- 7 Caribbean Countries are in the onboarding process
- July 2018 G-20 Agriculture Ministers endorsed the IPPC's efforts on ePhyto
- Early industry case studies (9)
  - Time savings: 1-2 hours up to 1-2 days
  - Cost savings: \$25-100 per shipment
- Future integration with external systems (customs single windows and industry)
- Notices of non compliance (real time notifications)



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### **QUESTIONS?**

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