New Canadian phytosanitary requirements for imports of: dried and shelled leguminous vegetables; cereals; oilseeds; and seeds of a kind used for sowing; to prevent the introduction of khapra beetle, (*Trogoderma granarium* Everts).

Khapra beetle is a serious pest of stored products and has been a regulated quarantine pest in Canada since 1968. It is not present in Canada but the potential for it to be introduced with imports of seed or grain moving in international trade from infested countries is very high. This World Trade Organization (WTO) notification is issued pursuant to the *Plant Protection Regulations* SOR/95-212 current to June 2, 2010, Section 29(1).

This notification of new phytosanitary certification requirements for imports to Canada of the commodities listed below are necessary because the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has conducted a pest risk assessment (PRA) on khapra beetle and determined it poses a serious threat to Canada's agricultural sector. The CFIA has detected the pest on imports more frequently in recent years and has also responded to interceptions made on imports which have moved in transit via Canada, and on products imported to Canada that were then re-exported to the U.S.

To prevent the introduction of khapra beetle into Canada the CFIA has established new phytosanitary requirements for the following commodity classes under the Harmonized Commodity and Coding System (HS):

- dried and shelled leguminous vegetables (HS 0713);
- cereals (HS 1001-1008);
- oilseeds (HS 1201, 1202, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207);
- and seeds of a kind used for sowing (HS 1209.10-29)

All shipments of these commodities to Canada must be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate or a Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export issued by the applicable National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO). The conveyances and packaging used to transport the material to Canada must also be inspected.

All shipments from or transiting through countries where KHAPRA BEETLE, (*Trogoderma granarium*, Everts) is known to occur require the following additional declaration to appear on the Phytosanitary Certificate:

"The material in this consignment was inspected and found free of khapra beetle (Trogoderma granarium)."

All shipments from countries re-exporting regulated commodities to Canada that are from or transiting through countries where KHAPRA BEETLE, (*Trogoderma granarium*, Everts), is known to occur must be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate issued by the NPPO of the country of re-export bearing the following additional declaration if an original phytosanitary certificate from the country of origin is unavailable or incomplete:

"The material in this consignment was inspected and found free of khapra beetle (<u>Trogoderma granarium</u>)." OR

For shipments that are accompanied by an original phytosanitary certificate bearing the khapra beetle declaration from the NPPO of the country of origin, the country of re-export may issue a Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export. The original phytosanitary certificate or its certified true copy should also accompany the shipment to Canada.

All shipments of regulated commodities to Canada from countries where KHAPRA BEETLE, (*Trogoderma granarium*, Everts) is absent require the following additional declaration to appear on the Phytosanitary Certificate:

"The material in this consignment originated in an area free from khapra beetle (Trogoderma granarium)."

These new phytosanitary import requirements will be effective on August 30, 2012.