



SANITARY and PHYTOSANITARY (SPS) MODULE

Understanding terminologies

A brief guideline to understanding the naming terminologies used in the SPS module and in Biosecurity in general.

1. Permits

The authorization issued for the importation of certain goods. Usually comes with conditions that must be fulfilled by the Importer and Authorities from the country of export.

2. Certificates

The verification of certain conditions, as imposed by the country of importation, for the exportation of certain goods.

3. Biosecurity Permits

3.1 Plant Import Permit (PIP)

Import Permit issued for the importation of Plants and Plant products.

3.2 Sanitary Import Permit (SIP)

Import Permit issued for the importation of certain Animal products.

3.3 Live Animal Import Permit (LAP)

Import Permit issued for the importation of certain Live Animals.

4. Biosecurity Certificates

4.1 Phytosanitary Certificate (PSC)

Export Certificate issued for the exportation of Plants and Plant products.

4.2 Veterinary Health Certificate (VHC)

Export Certificate issued for the exportation of certain Animal products.

4.3 Live Animal Export Certificate (LAC)

Export Certificate issued for the exportation of certain Live Animals.

5. SPS e-documents Reference format

<YEAR><BIOSECURITY office><e-DOC Acronym ><e-DOC REGISTRATION Number>

Example: 19BVHQ**PSC**0054

Note: e-doc reference numbers are not the same as e-doc registration numbers; Reference numbers are used for verifications while registration numbers are for used for administrative purpose.