



11th EDF SPS Measures Project
 "Support to CARIFORUM States in furthering the implementation of their Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) commitments and in meaningfully reaping the benefits of the Agreement."



World Trade Organization on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement)

WHAT IS THE SPS AGREEMENT?

The SPS Agreement applies to all sanitary and phytosanitary measures which may, directly or indirectly, affect international trade. Such measures must be based on science and must not constitute unjustifiable discrimination between Members or a disguised restriction on international trade.

WHAT ARE SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES?

SANITARY

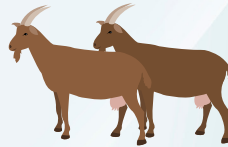
Human Health



Food Safety



Animal Health



PHYTOSANITARY

Plant Health



WHY ARE SPS MEASURES IMPORTANT?

GOOD SPS MEASURES PROTECT:

- Human or Animal Life
- Human Life
- Animal or Plant Life
- A Country

FROM:

Risk arising from additives, contaminants, toxins or disease-causing organisms in food

Plant- or animal-borne diseases (zoonoses)

Pests, diseases or disease-causing organisms

Damage caused by entry, establishment or spread of pests (including weeds)

Compliance with the SPS Agreement requires modern Agricultural Health and Food Safety (AHFS) Systems.



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