

## **Pest Measures Q&A**

### **Q. What are the additional measures?**

The addendum introduces the deregulation of 6 pests. 4 of these pests (Apricot latent virus, *Epidiaspis leperii*, *Heterodera fici*, *Pseudomonas savastanoi pv. savastanoi*) have been classified as GB regulated non-quarantine pests (RNQPs) but are being deregulated as they are not considered a risk to plants for planting in Great Britain. The remaining pests (Blackcurrant yellows agent and Aucuba mosaic agent) have been classified as GB RNQPs but are being deregulated as there is very limited evidence to support the existence of these pests.

### **Q. How do these measures impact trade?**

These pests are currently RNQPs which means a phytosanitary certificate, for the relevant plants for planting, attests that the imported material meets the GB import requirements. Once these pests are deregulated, the requirements associated with these pests will no longer need to be met in order for exporting countries to issue a phytosanitary certificate. These measures facilitate trade as requirements for pests, which are not a risk to GB, do not need to be met for exporting countries to issue a phytosanitary certificate.