

Various training programs are available to plant protection officers for the maintenance and improvement of their inspection skills



To help employees acquire the skills required for plant quarantine operations, the Training Center provides various types of training, including botanical science, insect science, plant pathology, agricultural science, disinfestation/disinfection technology, plant protection administration, and languages necessary for overseas quarantine.

Beginner training

Newly hired employees will learn the basic knowledge, expert knowledge, and skills necessary for plant quarantine.



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Follow-up training



Employees with at least one year of experience as plant protection officers will acquire practical expert knowledge and skills.

Specialized training (overseas training)



Employees with at least five years of experience as plant protection officers will learn the languages, knowledge, and skills necessary for overseas quarantine.

Expert development training

Employees with at least three years of experience as plant protection officers and the ability to take courses in specialized knowledge and techniques will acquire extremely advanced knowledge and skills in their respective areas of expertise in pests, nematodes, and plant pathology.

Specialized training (pests, nematodes, and plant pathology)

Employees with at least five years of experience as plant protection officers will acquire the necessary knowledge and skills in pests, nematodes, and plant pathology.

Plant protection officers working globally

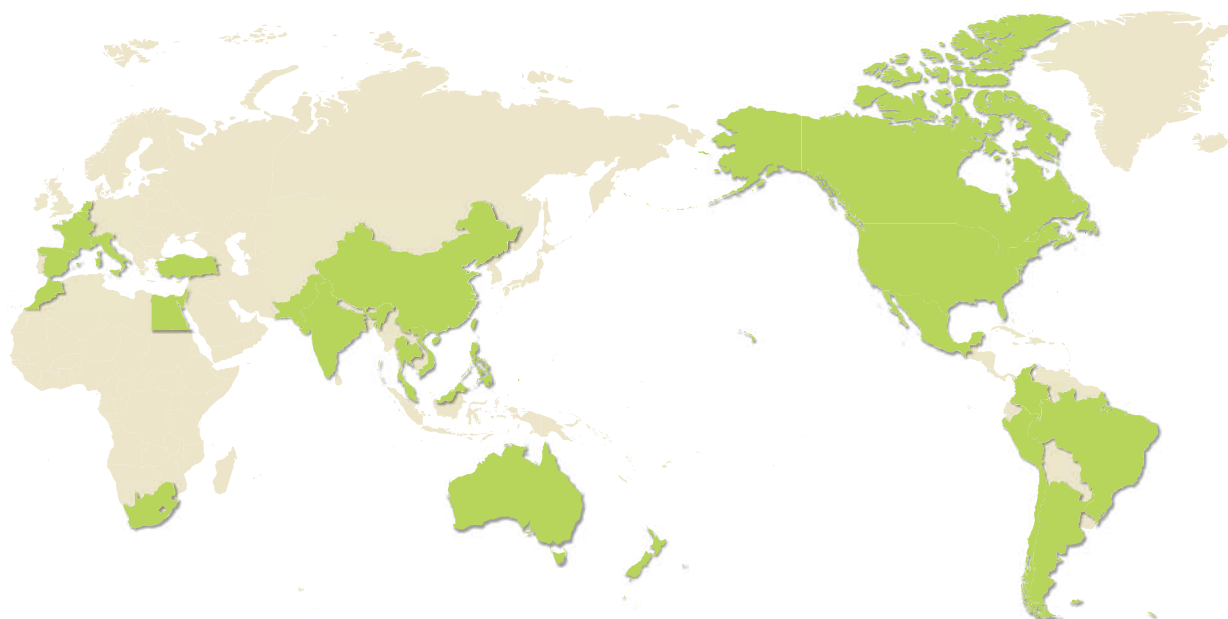
Pre-shipment quarantine in country of origin

The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries may allow the import of prohibited items with certain conditions if the requesting country successfully demonstrates its technical capacity (developing particular methods) to certainly disinfest/disinfect the export items and also establish the proper and reliable framework in the actual operation. Procedures for lifting import ban are as follows: a country makes a specific request for import ban lifting; the country submits scientific data on disinfestation/disinfection measures and pest status, followed by a series of technical exchanges/consultations with Japan; and Japanese experts visit the requesting country for on-site confirmation tests and/or surveys. Once the import ban is lifted, pre-shipment quarantine is conducted, involving the dispatch of plant protection officers to the exporting country to ensure that the agreed conditions are met in the actual operation (disinfestation/disinfection, export inspections, etc.).



Pre-shipment quarantine (Taiwan)

Countries subject to overseas quarantine (29 countries and regions)



IPPC: International Plant Protection Convention

The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) entered into force in April 1952 to harmonize phytosanitary measures taken by its member states to prevent the introduction and spread of pests that are harmful to plants, and as of March 2025, 185 countries and regions have joined the IPPC. Plant protection officers are dispatched to the IPPC secretariats in Rome and Bangkok (established within the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) and serve as members of various IPPC committees to formulate and implement the "International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures" and provide technical support for developing countries.



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