Khapra beetle pest risk analysis Fact sheet

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Key points

- 1. We are conducting a pest risk analysis for khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*).
- 2. We are preparing a draft report, which we expect to release for public consultation in early 2023
- 3. The final report will be published after consideration of comments on the draft report.

Pest risk analysis for khapra beetle

We are initiating the pest risk analysis to evaluate the risks posed by khapra beetle.

The risk analysis will:

- 4. identify high risk plant products
- 5. review the global distribution of khapra beetle
- 6. undertake detailed assessment of pathways (plant products and sea containers)
- 7. review and evaluate the efficacy of introduced emergency measures
- 8. confirm the maintenance of emergency measures as ongoing measures or recommend revised and/or additional risk management measures where appropriate.

Several countries, including Australia, have seen a recent increase in khapra interceptions in imported plant products and as a hitchhiker pest in sea containers. In response to these increased detections, we introduced emergency measures to safeguard Australia against the entry, establishment and spread of khapra beetle through various pathways.

The emergency measures for khapra beetle and other *Trogoderma* species of biosecurity concern to Australia associated with stored plant products will remain in place until the pest risk analysis is completed and any recommended ongoing phytosanitary measures are implemented. For more information on the emergency measures, visit <u>agriculture.gov.au/khapra-urgent-actions</u>.

How stakeholders can contribute

We invite stakeholders to contribute scientific information relevant to this risk analysis at any time.

Stakeholders will be invited to comment on a draft report during the 60-calendar day public consultation period. The final report will then be published after consideration of all comments and will complete the risk analysis process.

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