

## **Plan for the Implementation of NAPPO standards**

### **1. Name of Standard**

*RSPM 26 Certification of commercial arthropod biological control agents moving into NAPPO members countries*

### **2. Country Reporting**

Mexico

### **3. Relevant Authority**

#### 3.1 Current Authority

- a. Legislative Authority: Plant Health Federal Act (Ley Federal de Sanidad Vegetal).
- b. Regulatory authority: Regulation of the Plant Health Federal Act. Previously, there were articles 101 and 102 of the regulation of the Federal Act for Plant and Animal Health of the United States of Mexico, in terms of Plant health.

#### 3.2 Revisions to Authority

They are no required, since the Mexican code comply with RSPM 26. In other words, we had implemented the NAPPO Regional Standard.

### **4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard**

No changes are required. The law includes, authorize and regulate the usage, movement, importation and reproduction of living biological control agents used to control pests that affect plant products, its products and by-products.

### **5. Implementation of Standard**

RSPM 26 is implemented since entering into effect. Presently, importation of biological control agents is allowed according to the Plant Health Act and issuance of an official letter similar to a letter of certification.