

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

SPS

Place of adoption of the Convention	Marrakech - Morocco
Date of signature	15 April 1994
Date of entry into force	1 May 1995
Main objective	On one hand, SPS enables countries to protect the health and lives of consumers, animals and plants from pests, diseases and health threats. On another, it prohibits the use of regulations in an arbitrary or discriminatory manner.
Official website	https://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/15sps_01_e.htm

United Arab Emirates

Date of signature / acceptance / ratification	
Decree of approval / ratification	Federal Decree No. (131) year 2014

Note:

(1) The Convention gave the least developed countries a grace period of five years from the date of its entry into force.