



**Smarter Rules for Safer Food and Plant Health
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Protecting the EU Plant Health in a changing world

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Health and
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Objective:

- **PROTECT EU AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT FROM NEW PLANT PESTS**

Challenges:

- Increasing **international movements** of plants
 - Global trade: EU world's biggest importer of agricultural goods
 - Travellers
- **Climate change** (sustainability goals)



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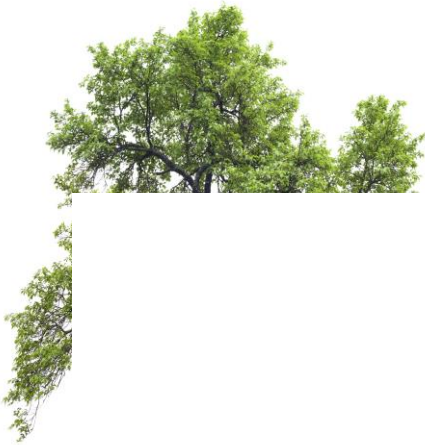


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Key message



PREVENTION



Increased vigilance for imports



Early identification and action against new pests



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Regulated pests



Quarantine pests (230)



Priority pests (20)



EU Reference laboratories (5)



Regulated non-quarantine pests (209)



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Regulated commodities



Plants for planting, including **ALL SEEDS**



ALL live plant material: fruits & vegetables, cut flowers, scions, ...



Listed plant products (e.g. coniferous wood)



Listed other products (e.g. WPM)



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Regulation on IMPORTS

- * **Phytosanitary certificate + more specified conditions**
- * **Harmonised control procedure (OCR)**
- * **More risk based controls (IMSOC database)**
- * **Precautionary approach for high risk plants**
- * **Same restrictions for travellers**





KEEP PLANT PESTS AND DISEASES OUT OF THE EUROPEAN UNION



You are NOT allowed to bring plants, fruit*, vegetables, flowers or seeds into the European Union without a phytosanitary certificate.**

*Bananas, coconuts, dates, pineapples and durians can be brought into the EU without a certificate.

**You do not need a certificate when the plants, fruit, vegetables, flowers or seeds come from Switzerland or Liechtenstein.

You will need a certificate when they come from the following EU territories:

• Ceuta, Melilla, the Canary Islands, Guadeloupe, French Guiana, Martinique, Mayotte, Réunion, Saint Barthélemy and Saint Martin.





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Regulation on **INTERNAL MOVEMENTS**



- * **Plant passports for all plants for planting (b2b)**
- * **Harmonised format of plant passport**
- * **Responsibility of operators to guarantee pest freedom**
- * **Notification obligation for findings of pests**



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Pest management

- ✓ **Multi-annual surveillance programs**
- ✓ **Preparedness for priority pests**
- ✓ **Eradication approach** (standard obligation against QP)
- ✓ **Demarcated areas:**
 - **Infested zone**
 - **Buffer zone**
- ✓ **Containment** : only if agreed at EU level
- ✓ **EU co-financing**

