

**EU & NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE ON PLANT PASSPORTS (PP)**

**ARTICLE 79 OF [REGULATION \(EU\) 2016/2031](#)- REPORT ON THE EXTENSION OF THE PLANT PASSPORT SYSTEM**

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Question					
Plant passport requirements and extension					
1.	<p>How do you rate <b>the transition to the new rules</b> (i.e. their practical application; <a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>) with regards to :</p>				
	<p><i>The extension of use of plant passports for intra-EU movement to all plant for planting (Art 79)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effortless</li> <li>• Easy</li> <li>• Manageable</li> <li>• Somewhat burdensome</li> <li>• Very burdensome</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The harmonised format of plant passports (Art 83)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effortless</li> <li>• Easy</li> <li>• Manageable</li> <li>• Somewhat burdensome</li> <li>• Very burdensome</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements to attach the plant passports to the trade unit (Art 88)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effortless</li> <li>• Easy</li> <li>• Manageable</li> <li>• Somewhat burdensome</li> <li>• Very burdensome</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements for ensuring traceability (Art 69)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effortless</li> <li>• Easy</li> <li>• Manageable</li> <li>• Somewhat burdensome</li> <li>• Very burdensome</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements for the examination for plant passports (Art 87)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effortless</li> <li>• Easy</li> <li>• Manageable</li> <li>• Somewhat burdensome</li> <li>• Very burdensome</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>
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2.	<p>How do you rate <b>the implementation of the new rules</b> (i.e. their official enforcement; <a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>) on:</p>				
	<p><i>The extension of use of plant passports for intra-EU movement to all plant for planting (Art 79)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much more complicated</li> <li>• Somewhat more complicated</li> <li>• Not changes</li> <li>• Somewhat simplified</li> <li>• Very simplified</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The harmonised format of plant passports (Art 83)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much more complicated</li> <li>• Somewhat more complicated</li> <li>• Not changes</li> <li>• Somewhat simplified</li> <li>• Very simplified</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements to attach the plant passports to the trade unit (Art 88)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much more complicated</li> <li>• Somewhat more complicated</li> <li>• Not changes</li> <li>• Somewhat simplified</li> <li>• Very simplified</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements for ensuring traceability (Art 69)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much more complicated</li> <li>• Somewhat more complicated</li> <li>• Not changes</li> <li>• Somewhat simplified</li> <li>• Very simplified</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>	<p><i>The requirements for the examination for plant passports (Art 87)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much more complicated</li> <li>• Somewhat more complicated</li> <li>• Not changes</li> <li>• Somewhat simplified</li> <li>• Very simplified</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>
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3.	<p>The plant passports, according to Art 88 (<a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>), are required <b>to be attached to the trade unit of plants, plant products or other objects</b>. In your view –</p> <p>- has this requirement proven to be useful?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If not, please explain why and suggest an alternative solution: [FREE TEXT]</i></p> <p>- does this requirement contribute to an increased prevention of spreading plant quarantine pests?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If not, please explain why: [FREE TEXT]</i></p>
4.	<p>Please choose from the [dropdown] list below the <b>2 aspects</b> in which you have experienced <b>the most significant positive impact due to the changes on the plant passports under articles Art 79, 83, 87 , 88 &amp; 93 (<a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>)</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area #1 [choose from dropdown list]</li> <li>• Area #2 [choose from dropdown list]</li> </ul> <p><i>List of aspects [to be included as dropdown list]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— <i>Increased traceability of the commodities</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased effectiveness of the plant health protection against pests</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased preparedness for the identification of new plant pests</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased protection of the EU territory against pests</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased visibility/awareness of the plant health system and of the guarantees on the plant health status of plants for planting</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased training about plant health with support from national plant health competent authorities</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased knowledge about plant health</i></li> <li>— <i>Others, if others, please specify which ones [FREE TEXT]</i></li> </ul>

5.	<p>Please choose from the [dropdown] list below the <b>2 aspects</b> in which you have experienced <b>the most significant negative impact due to the changes on the plant passports under articles Art 79, 83, 87 , 88 &amp; 93 (Regulation 2016/2031)</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area #1 [choose from dropdown list]</li> <li>• Area #2 [choose from dropdown list]</li> </ul> <p><i>List of aspects [to be included as dropdown list]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— <i>Increased administrative burden</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased workload</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased costs</i></li> <li>— <i>Increased needs for training of the staff</i></li> <li>— <i>Shift of business model to sell to final users to avoid the plant passport requirements</i></li> <li>— <i>Others, if others, please specify which ones [FREE TEXT]</i></li> </ul>
6.	<p>Regarding the <b>traceability of the plants</b> that now newly require a plant passport under the extended plant passport regime, do you consider it has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased significantly</li> <li>• Somewhat increased</li> <li>• Remained the same</li> <li>• Somewhat decreased</li> <li>• Decreased significantly</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If 'somewhat decreased' or 'decreased significantly', please explain why [FREE TEXT]</i></p>
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15.	<p>Do you consider that for some type of plants, plant products or other objects, <b>only the Competent Authorities instead of an operator should issue plant passports?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul> <p><i>If yes, can you please specify for which commodities (up to 3) from the dropdown list [*] and the plant Latin species name</i></p> <p><i>*The dropdown list commodities are listed in the Annex I at the end of this document.</i></p>
16.	<p>The <b>fees charged by the competent authorities</b> in your country for the following procedures are (if applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration fee of each operator handling regulated plant materials subjected to plant passports [VALUE in EUR/operator] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One-time</li> <li>○ Annual</li> <li>○ Other</li> <li>○ Not applicable</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Authorization fee to issue plant passports [VALUE in EUR/operator] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One-time</li> <li>○ Annual</li> <li>○ Other</li> <li>○ Not applicable</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fee for issuance of the plant passports by the competent authority [VALUE in EUR/operator] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One-time</li> <li>○ Annual</li> <li>○ Other</li> <li>○ Not applicable</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
17.	<p>What percentage of the members of your association who are <b>professional operators under the new Plant Health Regulation (<a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>)</b> were <b>issuing plant passports before 14 December 2019?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Less than 29%</li> <li>• 30-60%</li> <li>• 61-90%</li> <li>• More than 91%</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>

Administrative procedures					
18.	How has <b>the staff involved with administrative procedures related to plant passports</b> changed in your organization due to the modifications specified below, introduced in 2019 with the new Plant Health Regulation ( <a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a> ):				
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22.	<p>How has the <b>staff / number of person-hours involved in the examinations at the premises (under competent authorities' supervision) and for assisting the controls carried out by the competent authorities for the issuance of the plant passports</b> changed since the plant passport has been extended to all plants for planting?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased by more than 10%</li> <li>• Increased by 5% - 10%</li> <li>• Increased by less than 5%</li> <li>• Remained the same</li> <li>• Decreased by less 5%</li> <li>• Decreased by 5% - 10%</li> <li>• Decreased by more than 10%</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul>
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24.	<p>Did you have to <b>organize or to participate in any kind of training for obtaining new skills and acquiring knowledge</b> on the applicable rules relevant to the examinations/official controls at the premises for the issuance of the plant passports, since the plant passport has been extended to all plants for planting?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Organise</li> <li>○ Participate</li> <li>○ Both</li> </ul> </li> <li>• No</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If yes, please provide an estimation of:</i>  - the total time spent in trainings by all staff members (related to the plant passport requirements)  - the total costs for the training (related to the plant passport requirements)</p>
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34.	<p>Regarding the capacity of companies to <b>make long-term investment or strategic decisions</b> affecting the production or trade of the plants for planting that now require a plant passport, do you consider it has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Been made easier</li> <li>• Remained the same</li> <li>• Been made more complicated</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If 'more complicated', please explain why: [FREE TEXT]</i></p>								

<sup>2</sup> Except sale to final users through distance sales

35.	<p>Following the extension of the plant passport to all plants for planting, how would you consider that the <b>playing field in terms of competitive position of actors has evolved</b> in the sector of plants for planting for which a plant passport is now required?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved (we all face now the same regulations)</li> <li>• Remained the same</li> <li>• Worsened (some people have more advantages than before)</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If 'worsened', could you please specify for which specific commodities the most from the dropdown list [*] and the plant Latin species name</i>  <i>If 'worsened', please explain why [FREE TEXT]</i>  <i>*The dropdown list commodities are listed in the Annex I at the end of this document</i></p>
36.	<p>Do you think that the <b>requirements of attaching the plant passport to the trade unit</b> have made this process (i.e. ensuring that the plants are accompanied by a plant passport):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extremely more difficult</li> <li>• More difficult, but manageable</li> <li>• Remained the same</li> <li>• Easier</li> <li>• Extremely easier</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If difficult, could you please specify for which specific commodities the most from the dropdown list [*] and the plant Latin species name</i>  <i>If difficult, please explain why [FREE TEXT]</i>  <i>*The dropdown list commodities are listed in the Annex I at the end of this document</i></p>
37.	<p>Do you think that the <b>new requirements for attaching the plant passport to the trade unit</b> have affected any of the following elements?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The volume of production in your company (EU / country for associations)</li> <li>• The volume of intra EU-trade</li> <li>• The market price of your produce</li> <li>• The overall functioning of trade transactions (selling/buying)</li> </ul>
<b>Regulated Non-Quarantine Pests (RNQPs)</b>	
38.	<p>How do you rate the <b>implementation, within the newly extended plant passport system, of the rules regarding RNQPs?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very efficient</li> <li>• Somewhat efficient</li> <li>• Neither efficient nor inefficient</li> <li>• Somewhat inefficient</li> <li>• Very inefficient</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If the response is 'somewhat inefficient' or 'very inefficient', please explain why, and also provide any proposals for modification [FREE TEXT]</i></p>

Other aspects	
39.	<p>How do you rate <b>the implementation of the new rules</b> on pre-export certificates (Art 102; <a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very efficient</li> <li>• Somewhat efficient</li> <li>• Neither efficient nor inefficient</li> <li>• Somewhat inefficient</li> <li>• Very inefficient</li> <li>• No opinion</li> </ul> <p><i>If the response is 'somewhat inefficient' or 'very inefficient', please explain why, and also provide any proposals for modification [FREE TEXT]</i></p>
40.	<p>Article 89 of the Plant Health Regulation (<a href="#">Regulation 2016/2031</a>) and <a href="#">Regulation 2019/827</a> require the Competent Authorities to ensure that professional operators have access to a technical guidance on the criteria to be fulfilled in the examinations relating to the issuance of plant passports. Has that <b>technical guidance been provided in your country</b>?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul> <p>If yes: how would you rate <b>the quality of the technical guidance provided</b> in your country?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very good</li> <li>• good</li> <li>• average</li> <li>• Somewhat insufficient</li> <li>• insufficient</li> </ul> <p><i>If 'somewhat inappropriate' or 'not sufficient', can you please explain: [FREE TEXT]</i></p>
Additional comments or Feedback	
41.	<p>Do you have any additional comments or feedback you would like to provide?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes</li> <li>• No</li> </ul> <p><i>If yes, please provide your comments or feedback: [FREE TEXT]</i></p>

**ANNEX I -List of the commodities that will be included as a dropdown list (\*) for some of the questions.**

- Fruit plants for planting/propagating material (other than seeds)
- Vine plants for planting/propagating material (other than seeds)
- Forestry plants for planting/propagating material (other than seeds)
- Ornamental plants for planting/propagating material (other than seeds)
- Field crops (other than potatoes) for planting/propagating material

- Vegetable plants for planting/propagating material (other than seeds)
- Seed potatoes for planting/propagating material
- Seeds
- Fruits
- Wood materials