

NEBRASKA

SUMMARY OF PLANT PROTECTION REGULATIONS

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NURSERY STOCK DEFINITION

Nursery stock shall mean all field-grown or container-grown perennial & woody plants, including, but not limited to, vegetative or propagative parts or perennial or woody plants dug from the wild, so labeled, and distributed, and excluding, among other things, greenhouse plants grown for indoor use, annual plants, biennial plants, florist stock, cut flowers, sod, turf, onions, or potatoes, or seeds of any such plant.

GENERAL SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS

All nursery stock distributed into or out of the state of Nebraska must be accompanied by a label showing the name and address of the consignor and consignee, the nature and quantity of the contents, the place of origin, and the license or its equivalent issued by the recognized authorizing agency stating that the nursery from which the nursery stock originates has been inspected.

All nursery stock distributed in Nebraska shall be labeled plainly and legibly with the correct common name or botanical name and place of origin of nursery stock. The exception would be container-grown or potted nursery stock of one-gallon or less is not required to have an individual place of origin label. Place of origin labels may be in code, provided the department is given access to the code.

Nursery stock must be sound, healthy, reasonably capable of growth, labeled correctly, free from injurious plant pests, and stored or displayed under conditions which shall maintain its vigor as outlined in the rules and regulations. If nursery stock originated in an area under federal or state quarantine for a plant pest, and is a regulated article under said quarantine, then each shipment must include documentation certifying the nursery stock is in compliance with the applicable quarantine(s).

NOXIOUS WEEDS

<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>	Plumeless thistle
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	Musk thistle
<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>	Diffuse knapweed
<i>Centaurea maculosa</i>	Spotted knapweed
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle
<i>Euphorbia esula</i>	Leafy spurge
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	Purple loosestrife
<i>Lythrum virgatum</i>	Wand loosestrife
<i>Phragmites australis var. australis</i>	Phragmites
<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	Saltcedar
<i>Tamarix parviflora</i>	Saltcedar

County option weeds:

<i>Ambrosia grayi</i>	Woollyleaf bursage
<i>Cirsium altissimum</i>	Tall thistle
<i>Cirsium flodmani</i>	Flodman thistle
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Bull thistle
<i>Convolvus arvensis</i>	Field bindweed

QUARANTINES OR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

JAPANES BEETLE

STATES REGULATED: All Category 2 & 3 states as listed in the U.S. Domestic Japanese Beetle Harmonization Plan

MATERIALS REGULATED: All nursery stock

RESTRICTIONS: All nursery stock entering Nebraska must meet the standards established in the U.S. Domestic Japanese Beetle Harmonization Plan (JBHP), for shipments to a category 1 or 2 state. Shipments of nursery stock must be accompanied by official documents declaring that the nursery stock is in compliance with the JBHP. This can be documented on either a state phytosanitary certificate of on a nursery stock

certificate with an additional declaration or equivalent documentation attesting to compliance with the JBHP.

KARNAL BUNT (*Tilletia indica* Mitra)

STATES REGULATED: AZ, CA (portions of), NM (portions of), and TX (portions of).

MATERIALS REGULATED: Seeds and grain from Karnal bunt quarantine areas.

RESTRICTIONS: All seed and grain from regulated areas under the Federal Karnal Bunt quarantine must be tested and found free of Karnal bunt. The regulated article shall be accompanied with a permit or phytosanitary certificate.

COLUMBIA ROOT KNOT NEMATODE (*Meloidogyne chitwoodi*)

STATES REGULATED: entire states of CA, ID, OR, and WA and the listed counties in the following states: CO (Alamosa County, Rio Grande County); NV (Humboldt County); NM (San Juan County); TX (Hartley County); and, UT (Iron County); and any foreign country known to be infested.

MATERIALS REGULATED: Seed potatoes, tablestock potatoes, potatoes intended for processing, potato tubers intended for planting, used containers, used bags and used machinery and implements, and soil from any Columbia root knot nematode infested field.

RESTRICTIONS: All potatoes for processing and tablestock potatoes must be washed and found reasonably free of soil. They must be accompanied by a state phytosanitary certificate or a USDA AMS Certificate of Inspection stating that the potatoes in the shipment are for processing only (or for consumption only) and are in compliance with the quarantine. Tablestock potatoes shipped between the period of January 1st and May 30th must be treated with a sprout inhibitor. Seed potatoes intended for planting must come from a growing area officially sampled in the state or county of origin and shall be tested by an official laboratory and the soil and tubers found to be free from Columbia root knot nematode. The sampling and laboratory procedures shall occur prior to shipment into Nebraska. Each shipment shall be accompanied by a state phytosanitary certificate stating the potatoes in the shipment are for planting and are in compliance with the quarantine. Used machinery and equipment contaminated with Columbia root knot nematode or from areas designated as quarantine areas shall not be allowed entry, except if rendered free of soil and related debris, washed and thoroughly disinfected prior to shipment or transport into Nebraska, and accompanied by a statement of cleaning and disinfection issued by the official certification agency in the area of origin.

OTHER QUARANTINES

All nursery stock, and other regulated articles, shipped into Nebraska must adhere to all applicable state and federal quarantines, including, but not limited to:

- Asian Longhorn Beetle

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- Barberry/Black Stem Rust
- Emerald Ash Borer
- Gypsy Moth
- Pine Shoot Beetle
- Potato Cyst Nematode