

# NEW JERSEY

## SUMMARY OF PLANT PROTECTION REGULATIONS

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### NURSERY STOCK DEFINITION

Nursery stock: includes all plants, shrubs, trees and vines grown for sale, as well as buds, grafts, stocks, scions and other parts of plants, trees and vines that may be sold for propagation; but shall not include herbaceous annuals or plants, flowers, vines or cuttings grown under glass and commonly known as florists stock.

### GENERAL SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS

All nursery stock shipped into New Jersey must be accompanied by a valid certificate stating that the authorized authority of the state where the stock was grown has inspected the stock and that the stock was found to be free from dangerously injurious plant pests.

### NOXIOUS WEEDS

New Jersey does not have a statewide noxious weed list.

### QUARANTINES OR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

### VEGETABLE PLANTS

PESTS: Insects and diseases affecting vegetable seedlings

STATES REGULATED: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Vegetable plants

RESTRICTIONS: Plants must be certified to have been grown under an official certification program or to have been inspected and found free of insects and disease no more than 5 days prior to removal from soil.

### **TOMATO PLANTS**

PESTS: The late blight fungus (*Phytophthora infestans*), bacterial spot (*Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *vesicatoria*), bacterial speck (*Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tomato*) and bacterial canker (*Clavibacter michiganensis* subsp. *michiganensis*).

STATES REGULATED: All states where tomato plants are produced for shipment into New Jersey.

MATERIALS REGULATED: Tomato plants

RESTRICTIONS: Plants must be certified to have been grown under an official certification program or to have been inspected and found free of insects and disease no more than 5 days prior to removal from soil. Contact NJ Dept. of Agriculture for list of requirements.

### **PEPPER PLANTS**

PESTS: Bacterial spot (*Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *vesicatoria*).

STATES REGULATED: All states where pepper plants are produced for shipment into New Jersey.

MATERIALS REGULATED: Pepper plants

RESTRICTIONS: Plants must be certified to have been grown under an official certification program or to have been inspected and found free of insects and disease no more than 5 days prior to removal from soil. Contact NJ Dept. of Agriculture for list of requirements.

### **ROSE PLANTS**

PESTS: Viruses affecting roses

STATES REGULATED: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Plants of the genus *Rosa* sp.

RESTRICTIONS: Rose plants shipped into New Jersey must be accompanied by a certificate stating that the plants were inspected during the growing season and were found visibly free of plant viruses.

### **GOLDEN NEMATODE**

PEST: Golden Nematode (*Globodera rostochiensis*)

STATES REGULATED: Infested portions of New York and Canada

MATERIALS REGULATED: Soil, sod and sand

RESTRICTIONS: No soil, including sod, and sand, shall be moved from any area, known to be infested with Golden Nematode, into the State of New Jersey, except when fumigated by an approved method and certified as such, or except to laboratories approved by the Deputy Administrator, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture for such purposes as set forth in the federal regulation regarding interstate movement of soil samples containing Golden Nematode for processing, testing or analysis, 7 CFR s. 301.85-3(b).

### **WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST**

PEST: The fungus *Cronartium ribicola* which causes white pine blister rust.

STATES REGULATED: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Plants of all species of *Ribes* and *Grossularia*.

RESTRICTIONS: *Ribes nigrum* is only allowed under special permit. Contact NJ Dept. of Agriculture for list of requirements. The movement of all other species of *Ribes* sp. and *Grossularia* sp. is prohibited into the following townships: Montague, Sandyston, Walpack and Vernon in Sussex County; West Milford, Ringwood and Wanaque in Passaic County; Jefferson in Morris County.

### **CERIFERUS (OR JAPANESE) WAX SCALE**

PEST: Japanese Wax Scale (*Ceroplastes ceriferus* F.)

STATES REGULATED: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Infested hosts of Ceriferus (Japanese) Wax Scale

**RESTRICTIONS:** The importation of the Ceriferus (or Japanese) Wax Scale is prohibited.

### **MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY**

**PEST:** Mediterranean Fruit Fly (*Ceratitus capitata*)

**STATES REGULATED:** All

**MATERIALS REGULATED:** Infested hosts of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly

**RESTRICTIONS:** The harboring or importation of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly is prohibited.

### **AFRICANIZED HONEYBEE**

**PEST:** Africanized Honeybee (*Apis mellifera scutellata*)

**STATES REGULATED:** All

**MATERIALS REGULATED:** Africanized honeybees, fresh or frozen bee sperm, equipment, shipping and storage containers that have been used at an apiary, unprocessed comb, vehicles that have been used to carry Africanized honeybees.

**RESTRICTIONS:** The keeping or importation of Africanized Honeybees in any stage of development, including honeybees with characteristics identifiable with the subspecies (*Apis mellifera scutellata*), regardless of the purity of the genetic strains of the bees, fresh or frozen bee sperm, equipment, shipping and storage containers that have been used at an apiary, unprocessed comb, vehicles that have been used to carry regulated articles, other than fresh or frozen bee sperm, is prohibited.

### **HONEY BEES AND APIARY EQUIPMENT**

**PEST:** American foulbrood, Varroa mite.

**REGULATED AREA:** All

**MATERIALS REGULATED:** All honey bee colonies (including nucs), queens, packaged bees, and used apiary equipment (including honey supers) originating from a regulated area.

**RESTRICTIONS:** All colonies, queens, packaged bees and used apiary equipment shipped into New Jersey must be officially certified by the State of origin to be apparently free contagious and infectious disease, or arthropod pests at the time certification. An official certificate of inspection from the regulatory agency in the State of origin shall accompany each shipment from a regulated area into New Jersey

and shall be valid only for 60 days from the time of inspection. All queens or package bees shipped to New Jersey shall be accompanied by a federally approved miticide treatment for the control of Varroa mite.

The certificate of inspection must be mailed/faxed to the N.J. State Apiarist prior to entry into New Jersey. Contact NJ Dept. of Agriculture for list of requirements.