

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

**PLANT HEALTH AMENDMENT (SOIL BORNE PESTS AND SNAILS)
REGULATIONS 2012**

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Plant Health Amendment (Soil Borne Pests and Snails) Regulations 2012

I, Sally Gordon Thomas, Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Plant Health Act*.

Dated 31 January 2012

S. G. THOMAS
Administrator

By Her Honour's Command

K. VATSKALIS
Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries and Resources

* Notified in the *Northern Territory Government Gazette* on 8 February 2012.

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Plant Health Amendment (Soil Borne Pests and Snails) Regulations 2012*.

2 Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the *Plant Health Regulations*.

3 Regulation 12 replaced

Regulation 12

repeal, insert

12 Soil borne pests and snails – plants generally

- (1) This regulation applies in relation to the pests specified in Schedule 1.
- (2) A person must not introduce a plant into the Territory unless:
 - (a) the plant is completely free of soil; and
 - (b) is accompanied by the government certificate or assurance certificate mentioned in subregulation (4).

Example for subregulation (2)(a)

Plants that are bulbs and rhizomes must be bare-rooted and otherwise free of soil.

- (3) If the plant is growing in a medium other than soil (for example, compost or potting mix), the person must not introduce the plant into the Territory unless:
 - (a) both the medium and container for the medium are completely free of soil; and
 - (b) the plant is accompanied by a government certificate or assurance certificate specifying the plant:
 - (i) has been inspected and found to be not infested with the pests specified in items 4 to 8 of Schedule 1; or
 - (ii) has undergone an approved treatment for the pests; and
 - (c) the plant is also accompanied by the government certificate or assurance certificate mentioned in subregulation (4).

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- (4) For subregulation (2)(b) and (3)(c), the plant must be accompanied by a government certificate or assurance certificate specifying that the plant:
- (a) is free of visible symptoms of the pests specified in items 1, 3 and 9 to 15 of Schedule 1; and
 - (b) was grown more than:
 - (i) 50 m from a grapevine; and
 - (ii) 20 km from the boundary of an area infested with the pest specified in item 2 of Schedule 1; and
 - (c) was grown and packed more than 25 km from the boundary of an area infested with the pest specified in item 4 of Schedule 1.
- (5) Subregulation (4)(c) does not apply if the plant is accompanied by an assurance certificate specifying the plant was grown and packed under the related scheme.