

New Plant Health Law

- More proactive approach against new devastating pests (import rules, surveillance, eradication, financing)
- Timeline ahead:

Entry into force:

beginning of 2017

Application:

beginning of 2020 (3 years after adoption)







Inclusion of all pests

- Regulation of all pests (quarantine and regulated non-quarantine pests)
- Listing of pest following risk assessment
- Union quarantine pests and protected zone quarantine pests
- Priority pests
- Regulated non-quarantine pests



Proactive measures against pests

- Surveys to identify outbreaks of pests
- Multiannual survey plans
- Rules on early notification of outbreaks
- Detailed rules for eradication of pests
- Containment only under Commission decision
- Contingency plans and simulation exercises for priority pests
- Provisional measures on non-listed pests



Measures on commodities

Measures on introduction into, and movement within the EU, following risk assessment

Current Annexes III and IV of Dir. 2000/29 will remain valid

High risks plants: banned pending full risk assessment

Temporary measures against new trade Exemptions for scientific trials, etc



Registration and traceability

Registration of professional operators
Traceability of commodities
Quarantine stations and confinement facilities



Certification

Plant passports for all plants for planting

Phytosanitary certificates for all plants

Export and re-export certificates

Pre-export certificates

ISPM 15 mark for wood packaging material

Other attestations

Exceptions to plant passports and phytosanitary certificates



Plant health provisions under the Official Controls Regulation

Certain provisions under Official Controls Regulation that are particularly important for plant health:

- Specific plant health rules (Art. 19)
- Designation of European Union Reference Laboratories (Art. 90a and 91)
- Rules on import controls (Art. 41a 45)

The Official Controls provisions are currently subject to renumbering by the Council and the European Parliament



Adoption of delegated and implementing acts

Format and rules on plant passports:	2018
High risk plants:	2019
Plants exempted from PCs:	2019
List of priority pests:	2019
Rules on exemptions from scope:	2019
Lists of pests and commodities:	2019