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PLANT-QUARANTINE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
OF THE
BRITISH GOLD COAST COLONY

This summary of the plant-quarantine import restrictions of the Gold Coast Colony has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to that country.

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BASIC LEGISLATION

The Plants (Injurious Pests) Ordinance, December 28, 1923.

CONCISE SUMMARY

IMPORTATION PROHIBITED: Nothing.

IMPORTATION CONDITIONAL

ANY PLANT from Central and South America and the West Indies: Importation subject to a license from the Director of Agriculture (Order No. 20 of 1930), to prevent the introduction of Fusarium cubense E. F. Sm., Panama disease, and Marasmius perniciosus Stahel, witches' broom.

COCOA (Theobroma cacao L.), COTTON (Gossypium spp.), and RUBBER (Hevea spp.): Importation from any source subject to a license from the Director (Ordinance No. 37 of 1923) to prevent the introduction of Marasmius perniciosus Stahel, witches' broom; Heliothis obsoleta Fab., corn ear worm; diseases likely to affect cocoa.

COLA (Cola spp.), and BANANAS (Musa spp.): Importation from any source subject to a license from the Director (Order No. 44 of 1926) to prevent the introduction of Fusarium vas-infectum Atk.; Fusarium cubense E. F. Sm., and diseases likely to affect cocoa.

IMPORTATION UNRESTRICTED

ALL NURSERY STOCK, OTHER PLANTS, SEEDS, BULBS, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, other than those above specifically mentioned, may be imported into this Colony from any country without plant quarantine restriction.

ORDINANCE FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
OF PESTS INJURIOUS TO PLANTS

(The Plants (Injurious Pests) Ordinance, December
28, 1923)

SHORT TITLE

Section 1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Plants (Injurious Pests) Ordinance, 1923" and shall become effective January 1, 1924.

DEFINITIONS

Sec. 2. "Plant" includes tree, shrub, and any other vegetable growth, as also any part thereof.

"Declared plant" includes cocoa (Theobroma cacao L.), cotton (Gossypium spp.), and rubber (Hevea spp.) plants, as also any other plant which may be declared under section 3 to be a declared plant;

"Injurious pest" includes any disease, pest, fungus, parasite, insect, or animal, declared under section 3 to be an injurious pest;

"Prescribed port of entry" includes the ports of Accra and Secondee, as also any other port declared under section 3 to be a prescribed port of entry.

POWER OF GOVERNOR TO DECLARE PLANTS

Sec. 3. It shall be lawful for the Governor by Order under his hand:

- (1) To declare any plant to be a "declared plant";
- (2) To declare any disease, pest, fungus, parasite, insect, or animal, to be an injurious pest;
- (3) To declare any port of the Colony to be a "prescribed port of entry";
- (4) To prescribe any treatment of an injurious pest and any treatment or destruction of a declared plant to be a "prescribed treatment", for the purposes of this Ordinance.



ENTRY TO BE MADE AT A PRESCRIBED PORT

Sec. 4. No person shall import into the Colony any declared plant except at a prescribed port of entry, namely, Accra and Seccondee.

RESTRICTED MATERIALS

Sec. 5. (1) No person shall import into the Colony any of the following articles or materials except under license of the Director of Agriculture:

- (a) Declared plants;
- (b) Wrappings, cases, packages, or other coverings which contain or have contained declared plants;
- (c) Soil or earth;
- (d) Wrappings, cases, packages, or other covering which contain or have contained soil or earth;
- (e) Any article or material of whatever kind packed with such soil or plant.

Paragraphs 2 and 3 relate to the character of licenses and authorize the seizure of shipments imported contrary to the regulations.

Secs. 6 to 14. Insular administration of the Ordinance, penalties, etc.

GOVERNOR EMPOWERED TO MAKE REGULATIONS

Sec. 15. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to make regulations for the further, better, or more convenient effectuation of any of the provisions or purposes of this Ordinance.