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This summary of the plant quarantine import restrictions of the Republic of Portugal 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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The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original texts, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative.

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BASIC LEGISLATION

Decree No. 12740, Nov. 26, 1926, article 2, paragraph 2.
Decree No. 15331, Apr. 9, 1928, article 1.

SUMMARY

Importation Prohibited

ELMS (Ulmus spp.) FROM ANY SOURCE: Importation prohibited to prevent the introduction of the Dutch elm disease (Graphium ulmi Schwarz). (Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933, art. 5, p. 3.)

POTATOES (Solanum tuberosum L.) FROM AMERICA: Importation prohibited to prevent the introduction of the Colorado potato beetle (Leptinotarsa decemlineata Say). (Decree No. 20535, Nov. 20, 1931, art. 2, p. 5.)

POTATOES FROM THE ISLAND OF MADEIRA: Importation into the Azores prohibited to prevent the introduction of Bacterium solanacearum E. F. Sm., bacterial wilt. (Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933, art. 6, p. 5.)

Importation Restricted

LIVING PLANTS OR PARTS THEREOF for propagation from EXTRA-EUROPEAN COUNTRIES: Importation subject to a previous authorization from the Direcção Geral dos Serviços Agrícolas. Phytosanitary certificate of competent authority required with each shipment. (Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933, arts. 2 and 3, p. 2.) See paragraphs (a) to (g) of article 3 for special certification for certain groups of plant material.

SEEDS OF HORTICULTURAL, FIELD, OR FOREST PLANTS, from any country, or living plants or parts thereof for propagation from any European country: May be imported without a previous authorization, if accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate of competent authority of the country of origin. (Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933, arts. 1 and 3, pp. 2 & 3.)

FRUITS FROM ANY SOURCE: Importation into continental or insular Portugal subject to inspection on arrival especially for scale insects, San Jose scale in particular. (Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933, art. 9, p. 4.)

POTATOES FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN AMERICA: Phytosanitary certificate of competent authority of country of origin affirming freedom of the source from potato wart (Sunchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Perc.), and Colorado potato beetle (Leptinotarsa decemlineata Say). (Decree No. 20535, Nov. 20, 1931, art. 3, p. 5.)

GENERAL REGULATIONS

(Decree No. 22389, Mar. 29, 1933; Diario do Governo, I: 75, Apr. 1, 1933, pp. 447-449.)

Plant Material not Subject to an Import Authorization

Article 1. The importation is permitted from European or extra-European countries, without previous authorization, of seeds of horticultural, field, and forest plants, and of living plants and parts thereof for propagation (stocks, wild plants, scions, rhizomes, bulbs, tubers) from European countries, except those mentioned in articles 5 and 6.

Plant Material Subject to Special Import Authorization

Art. 2. The importation into the mainland or the adjacent islands of living plants or parts thereof for propagation (stocks, cuttings, scions, rhizomes, tubers, and bulbs) from extra-European countries, whether or not those countries belong to Portugal, except the adjacent islands, is subject to a special authorization of the Direcção Geral dos Serviços Agrícolas.

Phytosanitary Certificate Required

Art. 3. Shipments of living plants, or parts of living plants, intended for propagation must be accompanied by phytosanitary certificates indicating origin, issued by authorities of the official phytosanitary inspection service of the country of origin. These must indicate the names of shippers and consignees, the exact description of the goods, marks, quantity, weight, and phytosanitary condition and, in particular, with respect to:

- (a) Alfalfa (Medicago sativa L.), a declaration that they are free from dodder seeds (Cuscuta trifolii, C. gronowii, C. suaveolens, etc.).

- (b) Beans (Vicia faba L.) and peas (Pisum sativum L. and Lathyrus odoratus L.), a declaration of freedom from broom-rape seed (Orobanche crenata, O. minor, etc.).
- (c) Rooted plants, cuttings, bulbs, tubers, rootstocks, and other parts of plants that have been in contact with soil; a declaration that they were grown in ground free from potato wart (Synchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Perc.) and located at least 5 km from any focus of that disease.
- (d) Rooted pear trees, cuttings, scions, or buds, the same declaration as in (c); also that in the locality of growth fire blight (Bacillus amylovorus (Burr.) Trev.) does not occur.
- (e) Rooted chestnut trees (Castanea spp.) scions, or buds, in addition to the declaration of paragraph (c), another to the effect that chestnut canker (Endothia parasitica (Murr.) And. & And.) does not occur in the locality in which the trees were grown, and that no planting or grove of chestnut trees attacked by the ink disease (Phytophthora cambivora (Petri) Buis) exists within at least 5 km of the place of growth.
- (f) Grapevines, cuttings, or scions, in addition to declaration (c) one to the effect that the material proceeded from vines free from the virus disease known in France as "court-nous".
- (g) Potatoes, tomatoes, and eggplants (Solanum tuberosum, Lycopersium esculentum, and Solanum melongena), all the data prescribed by Decree No. 20535 of November 20, 1931, and the regulations approved by Decree No. 21172 of April 27, 1932.

Plants must be Free from Soil

Art. 4. Rooted plants, bulbs, rhizomes, and tubers, must be free from earth, and, according to the case, be packed in sphagnum moss, or peat.

Art. 5. The importation of elms (Ulmus spp.) is prohibited.

Art. 6. The importation into the Azores of potatoes from Madeira is prohibited.

All Imported Plant Material Subject to Inspection

Art. 7. All plants or parts of plants imported into continental or insular Portugal for propagation are subject to inspection.

Authorized Ports of Entry

- (1) Inspection is effected in the customs offices of Lisbon, Oporto, Ponta Delgada, Horta, Angra do Heroismo, and Funchal.
- (2) Seeds of plants, except alfalfa, pea and bean seeds, are free from inspection.
- (3) Exceptionally, the entry of plants may be effected at customs offices other than those above named on permission of the Direction-General of Customs at the request of the Direction-General of Agriculture, which will send one or more inspectors to make the necessary inspection.
- (4) The merchandise will be delivered to the consignee only after he has presented to the customs the duplicate of the phytosanitary certificate issued by the Chief of the Division of Phytopathological Inspection, or by one of the officials referred to in this article.

Fumigation may be Required on Arrival

Art. 8. All plants, and especially apple, orange, olive, and other fruit trees, must be fumigated by the phytopathological inspection service before delivery to the consignee, provided that the inspectors deem it necessary.

Fruits Inspected for Scale

Art. 9. Fruits imported into the mainland or the adjacent islands will be inspected in customs offices and released only when found entirely free from exotic coccids, and especially from San Jose scale (Aspidiotus perniciosus Comst.).



Potato Import Restrictions

(Decree No. 20535, Nov. 20, 1931; Diario do Governo 1^e Serie, No. 268, Nov. 20, 1931.)

Article 1. The importation of potatoes into continental Portugal and the adjacent islands (Azores and Madeira) is permitted only when the potatoes originate in and proceed from a country possessing properly organized phytopathological services.

Importation of American Potatoes Prohibited

Art. 2. The importation of American potatoes is expressly prohibited through any port of continental Portugal or the adjacent islands.

Art. 3. Shipments of potatoes from other countries must be accompanied by an inspection certificate affirming freedom of place of growth from potato wart and Colorado potato beetle.

Since potatoes may not be imported from the United States into Portugal, the remaining regulations under this decree are omitted.