

Update on PS-27: Interstate Movement of Plants

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Agriculture Victoria has revised the accreditation procedure to ensure alignment with current import conditions of other jurisdictions.

ACCREDITATION DETAILS

Name – **PS-27: Interstate Movement of Plants**

Revision Number – 7.0

Date of Issue – 01/09/2022

KEY CHANGES INCLUDE

- Removal of references to PS-09 and Western Flower Thrip (section 3 and Attachment 1 – Northern Territory Technical Requirements);
- Removal of Dothistroma (Pine) Needle Blight requirements to South Australia (section 7.1 and previous Attachment 1 – PSF-371);
- Removal of Silverleaf Whitefly requirements to Tasmania (section 7.1 and previous Attachment 5 – PSF-282);
- Updated interstate contact details for non-commercial mail-order nursery stock consignments (section 8.3);
- Addition of chemical treatment with Methiocarb (750 g/kg) or Metaldehyde (50 g/kg) for the treatment of stock other than bare rooted stock for snail infestation (Attachment 1 – Northern Territory Technical Requirements);
- Addition of scale treatment advice for vegetable and herb seedlings for transplanting and plants for growing on (Attachment 1 – Northern Territory Technical Requirements);
- Update to South Australia phylloxera requirements for stock sourced from places not located with a PEZ. This changes the requirement that stock must be more than 100 m from any commercial in-ground grape vine on a property with no known history of growing *Vitis spp.*, rather than more than 50 m from any grapevine. The phylloxera endorsement code was previously PHY05 and has now been updated to PHY08; and
- Update to the Potato Cyst Nematode (PCN) technical requirement to allow for the movement of bare-rooted nursery stock and bulbs from tested PCN linked land, and the allowance of potted stock for infested and linked land (Attachment 3 – PCN Technical Requirements).

FOR NOTING

Accreditation compliance audits will be measured against the current version (version 7.0) of the PS-27 procedure. In accordance with section 50 and 51 of the *Plant Biosecurity Act 2010* failure to comply with the procedure can result in the cancellation or suspension of your accreditation.

You are required to familiarise yourself with this updated procedure for immediate implementation. **Please advise Agriculture Victoria if you have any questions or concerns with operating under the requirements of this revised accreditation procedure.**

CONTACT DETAILS

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