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PLANT QUARANTINE ACT
(CAP. 433)

Seeds of Agricultural Plants and Vegetables (Amendment) Regulations, 2017

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 32 of the Plant Quarantine Act, the Minister for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change has made the following regulations:-

Citation and scope.

1. (1) The title of these regulations is the Seeds of Agricultural Plants and Vegetables (Amendment) Regulations, 2017, and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Seeds of Agricultural Plants and Vegetables Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

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(2) The scope of these regulations is to transpose Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2016/317 amending Council Directives 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 2002/55/EC and 2002/56/EC as regards the official label of seed packages.

Amends Schedule V to the principal regulations.

2. Schedule V to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) in Section 1, Part I, Cereals, Point B, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Certification authority and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(b) in Section 1, Part I, Cereals, Point C, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Authority responsible for sealing and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(c) in Section 1, Part I, Cereals, Point D shall be substituted by the following:

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"D. Seed not finally certified or harvested in another Member State

(1) (a) Information required for the label:

- Authority responsible for field inspection and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged form and without the authors' names, in Latin characters,
- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters (in the case of inbred lines and hybrids which are intended solely as components for hybrid varieties, the word "component" shall be added),
- Category,
- In the case of hybrid varieties, the word "hybrid" shall be added,
- Declared net or gross weight,
- The words "seed not finally certified".

In certain circumstances, the requirement to indicate the botanical name in respect of individual species may be disregarded and, where appropriate, for limited periods where it has been established that the disadvantages of its implementation outweigh the advantages expected for the marketing of seed.

(b) The label shall be coloured grey.

(2) Information required for the document:

- Authority issuing the document,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged

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form and without the authors' names, in Latin characters,

- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters,
- Category,
- Reference number of the seed used to sow the field and name of the country or countries which certified that seed,
- Field or lot reference number,
- Area cultivated for the production of the lot covered by the document,
- Quantity of seed harvested and number of packages,
- Number of generations after basic seed, in the case of certified seed,
- Attestation that the conditions to be satisfied by the crop from which the seed comes have been fulfilled,
- Where appropriate, results of a preliminary seed analysis.";

(d) in Section 1, Part II, Fodder Plants, Point B, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Certifying authority and Member State and their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(e) in Section 1, Part II, Fodder Plants, Point C, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Supervising authority and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

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(f) in Section 1, Part II, Fodder Plants, Point D, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Authority responsible for sealing and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(g) in Section 1, Part II, Fodder Plants, Point E shall be substituted by the following:

"E. Seed not finally certified or harvested in another Member State

(1) (a) Required information for the label:

- Authority responsible for field inspection and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged form and without the authors' names, in Latin characters,
- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters,
- Category,
- Field or lot reference number,
- Declared net or gross weight,
- The words "seed not finally certified".

In certain circumstances, the requirement to indicate the botanical name in respect of individual species may be disregarded and, where appropriate, for limited periods where it has been established that the disadvantages of its implementation outweigh the advantages expected for the marketing of seed.

(b) The label shall be coloured grey.

(2) Information required for the document:

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- Authority issuing the document,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged form and without the authors' name, in Latin characters,
- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters,
- Category,
- Reference number of the seed used to sow the field and name of the country or countries which certified the seed,
- Field or lot reference number,
- Area cultivated for the production of the lot covered by the document,
- Quantity of seed harvested and number of packages,
- Number of generations after basic seed, in the case of certified seed,
- Attestation that the conditions to be satisfied by the crop from which the seed comes have been fulfilled,
- Where appropriate results of a preliminary seed analysis.";

(h) in Section 1, Part III, Seed Potatoes, Point B, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

"➢ Certification authority and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(i) in Section 2, Vegetables, Point B, paragraph (a), immediately after the indent -

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distinguishing abbreviations,"

there shall be added the following new indent:

"➢ Officially assigned serial number,";

(j) in Section 2, Vegetables, Point C shall be substituted by the following:

"C. Seeds not finally certified or harvested in another Member State

(1) (a) Information required for the label:

- Authority responsible for field inspection and Member State or their distinguishing abbreviations,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged form and without the authors' names, or under its common name, or both, in Latin characters,
- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters,
- Category,
- Field or lot reference number,
- Declared net or gross weight,
- The words "seed not finally certified".

(b) The label shall be coloured grey.

(2) Information required for the document:

- Authority issuing the document,
- Officially assigned serial number,
- Species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in an abridged form and without the authors' names, or under its common name, or both, in Latin characters,

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- Variety, indicated at least in Latin characters,
- Category,
- Reference number of the seed used to sow the field and name of the country or countries which certified the seed,
- Field or lot reference number,
- Area cultivated for the production of the lot covered by the document,
- Quantity of seed harvested and number of packages,
- Attestation that the conditions to be satisfied by the crop from which the seed comes have been fulfilled,
- Where appropriate, results of a preliminary seed analysis.".

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