

MARYLAND

SUMMARY OF PLANT PROTECTION REGULATIONS

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Notification of nursery stock shipments, when required, should be sent to Vada Ritchie's attention at the above address or fax number, or email to: ppwm@mda.state.md.us

The information, as provided, is for informational purposes only and should not be interpreted as complete, nor should it be considered legally binding. Coordination with both your state and the destination state plant regulatory agency listed above may be necessary to stay up-to-date on revised requirements. Links to current laws and regulations can be found below.

NURSERY STOCK DEFINITION

[Plant Disease Control Law](#)

[Plant Disease Control Regulations](#)

(1) Any hardy plant or plant that survives Maryland winters, including a deciduous or evergreen tree, shrub or woody vine whether cultivated, native or hardy and all viable parts of the plant; (2) any nonhardy plant or plant part to be distributed in another state that requires plant inspection and certification before entering that state; and (3) any other plant included by the Secretary, if regulating its movement is necessary to control any dangerously injurious plant pest.

GENERAL SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS

Each shipment of nursery stock moving into Maryland must be labeled with the names of the consignor and consignee and be accompanied by a state of origin inspection certificate stating that the contents were inspected by a qualified state or federal agricultural official and the nursery stock is apparently free of plant pests.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

[Weed Control Law](#)

[Multiflora Rose Management Law](#)

<i>Carduus spp.</i>	Thistles
<i>Cirsium spp.</i>	Thistles
<i>Rosa multiflora</i>	Multiflora Rose
<i>Sorghum halapense</i>	Johnsongrass
<i>Sorghum bicolor</i>	Shattercane

QUARANTINES OR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

VEGETABLE PLANT CERTIFICATION

[Vegetable Plant Regulations](#)

PESTS: Insects and diseases affecting vegetable seedlings.

STATES: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Asparagus, broccoli, brussel sprout, cabbage, cauliflower, collard, eggplant, kale, lettuce, onion, pepper, sweet potato and tomato plants for planting.

RESTRICTIONS: Regulated materials may be moved into Maryland when accompanied by an official inspection certificate from the state of origin attached to each container. The certificate shall establish that the plants were grown under, and meet the requirements of, an official plant certification program of the state of origin and that the plants were certified to be free of plant pests based on an inspection made not more than 3 days before shipment or removal from the soil.