

RHODE ISLAND

SUMMARY OF PLANT PROTECTION REGULATIONS

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Advance notification to Rhode Island State Plant Regulatory Official (SPRO) of nursery stock shipments according to requirements of **Federal *Phytophthora ramorum* regulatory program and Federal Order** should be sent to email: SPRO@dem.ri.gov Email, mail and facsimile *P. ramorum* notifications should be addressed to Attn: Plant Industry Unit, Nursery Program.

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NURSERY STOCK DEFINITION

All hardy, deciduous and evergreen trees, shrubs, vines and other plants having a persistent woody stem whether wild or cultivated and plant parts thereof, for and capable of propagation.

GENERAL SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS

All shipments of nursery stock into the state should be accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by an authorized plant regulatory official or other evidence attesting to freedom from insects and diseases.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

Agropyron repens.....Quackgrass

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Cirsium arvense Canada Thistle
Convolvulus arvensis Bindweed
Cyperus spp...... Nutgrass

QUARANTINES OR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST QUARANTINE

PEST: The fungus *Cronartium ribicola* which causes white pine blister rust.

STATES REGULATED: All

MATERIALS REGULATED: Plants of the genus *Ribes*.

RESTRICTIONS: *Ribes nigrum*, *R. odoratum* and *R. aureum* are prohibited in all parts of the state. Other *Ribes spp.* can be imported into, or transported or planted within, Rhode Island only after obtaining a permit from the RI DEM/Division of Agriculture & Resource Marketing.