

NIPM Item #1

SUMMARY OF CALIFORNIA LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO NURSERY STOCK

A summary of the more important agricultural laws and regulations affecting the business of selling nursery stock

The following lists and summarizes sections from the California Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) and the California Code of Regulations (CCR). The text of each section should be consulted for the full and exact statement of these laws and regulations. The FAC may be found in libraries or at the offices of County Agricultural Commissioners. An extract of the FAC pertaining to Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services may be purchased from the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) by requesting Publication #475 and sending a check or money order for \$12.00 payable to Cashier, CDFA, 1220 N Street, Sacramento, California 95814. The FAC is also available on-line at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>.

The following summary was correct as of April 30, 1999. For any subsequent changes and for further information regarding agricultural laws or rules and regulations, or regarding treatments for agricultural pests and plant diseases, consult your County Agricultural Commissioner or the Pest Exclusion/ Nursery, Seed, and Cotton Program at (916) 654-0435.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

The COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER is an enforcing officer of all laws, rules, and regulations relative to the prevention of the introduction into or the spread within the state of plant pests and as to such activities is under the supervision of the Secretary of Food and Agriculture.

The County Agricultural Commissioner inspects nurseries for pests injurious to plants and assists the nurseryman with pest control problems. He/she inspects incoming shipments of nursery stock, enforces plant quarantines, and inspects nursery stock for proper labeling and condition.

The County Agricultural Commissioner issues shipping permits, nursery stock certificates, and other required certificates to facilitate movement of nursery stock in trade.

The PEST EXCLUSION / NURSERY PROGRAM of the California Department of Food and Agriculture coordinates the inspection of nurseries by County Agricultural Commissioners to assure uniformity of this work throughout the state; assists County Agricultural Commissioners and nurserymen with pest control and eradication; licenses the sale of nursery stock; maintains a list and publishes a directory of nurserymen and locations where nursery stock is sold; and registers or certifies certain plants that are inspected and tested for specific virus or virus-like diseases and other pests.

Inquiries may be addressed to Pest Exclusion/Nursery, Seed, and Cotton Program, California Department of Food and Agriculture at:

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LICENSE

(Sections 6721 through 6744, FAC)

It is unlawful to sell any nursery stock without an annual license from the Secretary of Food and Agriculture. If there is a change of owners of a licensed firm at any time, a new application for a new license is required at the time of the ownership change. Incorporation constitutes a change of ownership. Applications (see NIPM Item #2.1) are available at each County Agricultural Commissioner's office or from the Pest Exclusion Branch in Sacramento.

Forfeiture

Failure to pay license renewal fees before the 11th day of the first month of the licensee's license period forfeits the license, and a restoration fee in addition to the regular fees becomes necessary unless a statement of non-sale of any nursery stock is made.

Fee Exemption

Exemption from license fees is allowable if all of the following conditions are met: (1) applicant's sales amount to less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in a fiscal year; (2) applicant has reported to the County Agricultural Commissioner of his/her county applicant's intention to make such sales; (3) all the plants applicant has to be sold are of own production; and (4) applicant sells all such plants for planting within the county where grown. Application for a fee-exempt license may be made through the County Agricultural Commissioner.

Exemption From License

Exemption from license is allowable to florists and others who only sell plants at retail for the sole purpose of indoor decoration, to persons who sell no nursery stock except seeds, and to persons who only sell cut Christmas trees.

Refusal

After investigation and hearing, a license may be refused, suspended, or revoked for fraud or misrepresentation, or for failure to comply with laws and regulations relative to nursery stock.

DEFINITIONS

(Sections 38, 44, 5005, 5007, and 5008, FAC)

"Person" includes firm, corporation, company, or association. "Sell" includes offer for sale, expose for sale, or possess for sale, exchange, barter, or trade. "Nursery stock" means any plant for planting, propagation, or ornamentation. "Plant" includes any part of a plant, tree, plant product, shrub, vine, fruit, vegetable, seed, bulb, stolon, tuber, corm, pip, cutting, scion, bud, graft, or fruit pit. "Shipment" means any article or thing which is, may be, or has been transported from one place to another place.

PENALTY

(Sections 5310 and 5311, FAC)

Any person who violates these laws and regulations may be prosecuted through civil action and fined up to \$10,000 per violation. In lieu of civil action, the Secretary or County Agricultural Commissioner may levy a civil penalty of up to \$2,500 per violation.

AUTHORITY TO ENTER PREMISES
(Sections 408, 5023, 6403, and 53362, FAC)

The Secretary may enter upon any premises to inspect the same or any plants, appliances or thing thereon. The County Agricultural Commissioner has similar authority within his/her jurisdiction.

RULES AND REGULATIONS
(Sections 14 and 407, FAC)

The Secretary is authorized to promulgate and adopt rules and regulations (in the manner prescribed in the Government Code) for carrying out those provisions of the Code which he/she is directed and authorized to administer or enforce. All regulations of the California Department of Food and Agriculture are in Title 3, California Code of Regulations (CCR).

INSPECTIONS OF NURSERIES
(Sections 6761 and 6901 through 6904, FAC)

The Secretary is authorized to establish rules and regulations providing for periodic inspections of nurseries by County Agricultural Commissioners and prescribing standards of cleanliness from pests for nursery stock. The County Agricultural Commissioner shall issue orders when necessary to insure compliance with such standards. Failure to maintain nursery stock in accordance with the standards or to comply with orders issued by the County Agricultural Commissioner or the Secretary may be cause for action against a license to sell nursery stock. Regulations prescribing standards of cleanliness are available from the Pest Exclusion Branch upon request.

NOTICE TO HOLD INFESTED/INFECTED MATERIALS
(Sections 5701 through 5705, FAC)

Whenever there exists on any premises any plants or other things infested or infected by any pest, the Secretary or the County Agricultural Commissioner may hold such plants or other things. It is unlawful to move them except under written permission. When disinfected or cleaned, they may be released.

PEST ABATEMENT NOTICE
(Sections 5023 and 5421, FAC)

The County Agricultural Commissioner, whenever he/she deems it necessary, may enter and make an inspection of any premises, plant, conveyance, or thing in his/her jurisdiction, and may notify the record owner or person in charge that the same are infected or infested, and require such person to eradicate, destroy, or control pests within a certain time to be specified.

Infested Premises a Public Nuisance (Sections 5401 through 5405, FAC)

Any premises, plants, conveyances or things infected or infested with pests are declared a public nuisance, and shall be prosecuted as such. The remedies provided shall be in addition to the remedy by way of abatement.

Whenever such nuisance exists, notice has been served, and such nuisance is not abated within the time specified, the County Agricultural Commissioner shall cause said nuisance to be abated by eradicating, controlling, or destroying said pests.

Abatement Cost a Lien (Sections 5421 through 5436, FAC)

After notice, a lien may be made against the property from which such nuisance has been removed or abated in pursuance of this Chapter. Such lien shall be superior to all encumbrances upon the land or property, except only the liens for taxes and assessments. There is provision for the addition of a penalty of 15 percent after 80 days of nonpayment and for the foreclosure within 120 days.

RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN PLANTS

Neglected Plants (Section 5551 et seq., FAC)

Neglected or abandoned plants or crops, under certain conditions when pest infested, may be declared public nuisances. Prevention or abatement action may be taken where public nuisances exist.

Citrus Nursery Stock (Section 3407, CCR)

All citrus nursery stock moving within California must meet the requirements of the "Citrus Tristeza Virus Interior Quarantine." County Agricultural Commissioners should be consulted for details.

Weeds (Sections 7201 through 7207, FAC)

The Secretary may declare areas free of noxious weeds; it is unlawful to disseminate the seed of any noxious weed.

NURSERY STOCK SHIPMENTS

Responsibility for Treatment (Section 5021, FAC)

Any treatment of pests which may be required under the provisions of law shall be at the risk and at the expense of the owner or persons in charge or in possession thereof at the time of treatment, unless otherwise provided.

Certification for Shipment (Sections 5101, 5102, and 5201 through 5209, FAC)

County Agricultural Commissioners may certify as to the pest condition or pest treatment of shipments when officially required. Fees may be charged for certificates in certain instances. (If certification of shipments is desired and will require field inspection of growing plants, applications should be made to the County Agricultural Commissioner before the growing season begins or early enough to permit adequate inspection.)

Appeal (Section 5103, FAC)

Any interested person, aggrieved by any action or order of the County Agricultural Commissioner relative to the prevention of the introduction into or the dissemination within the state of pests, may appeal within five days in writing to the Secretary whose decision shall be final.

Warning Tag or Notice (Section 6303, FAC)

Any shipment or lot of plants to which a warning tag or notice has been affixed shall not be moved without permission of the enforcing officer and the tag or notice shall not be removed, altered, destroyed, defaced or mutilated.

Nursery Stock Held for Inspection (Sections 6501 through 6506, FAC)

A person receiving or bringing into any county or locality any nursery stock is required to hold the same for inspection and notify the County Agricultural Commissioner. Seeds in small packages are exempt. Nursery stock moving under valid nursery stock certificate need not be held.

[Note: Orders of the Postmaster General provide that all packages containing any plants or plant products, as listed, shall be held in the mails for inspection at the nearest place where inspection is maintained. Provision is made for inspection in transit and adjustment of postage.]

A nurseryman should request of his/her County Agricultural Commissioner that inspection be made of any shipment destined to Alpine County and, if passable, an "inspected and passed" sticker be attached so that it may be delivered without being held. A nurseryman authorized to use nursery stock certificates may use the certificates on shipments to Alpine County and they need not be held for inspection.

Marking of Shipments (Section 6921, FAC)

Each shipment of nursery stock must be marked with the name and address of the shipper and the name of the consignee.

Shipping Permit (Section 6922, FAC)

Each shipment must have a shipping permit attached, except that nurserymen authorized by the County Agricultural Commissioner to use nursery stock certificates may use such certificates, subject to governing regulations, in lieu of a shipping permit.

Nursery Stock Certificate (Sections 6921 through 6927, 6961, 6965, and 6968, FAC)

The Secretary may issue regulations which will govern the issuance by County Agricultural Commissioners and use of nursery stock certificates and shipping permits.

The County Agricultural Commissioner may issue and authorize the use of nursery stock certificates by any shipper complying with the regulations.

Shipments accompanied by these certificates may move to other localities within the county or to other counties without inspection at destination. Nursery stock certificates may be used for interstate shipments.

The County Agricultural Commissioner may revoke or suspend the right to use any nursery stock certificate or shipping permit which is issued to any person who fails to comply with requirements for their use.

Shipping permits and nursery stock certificates shall not be altered or misused.

Manifest (Section 6925, FAC)

Any person who sells, delivers, or transports any nursery stock, except when accompanied by a nursery stock certificate, shall at or prior to the time of shipment, forward to the County Agricultural Commissioner having jurisdiction at destination, a manifest stating the names and addresses of the shipper and the consignee, the name and quantity of each of the kinds of plants in the shipment and the locality where each was grown, and the means by which it is being transported. Manifest requirements do not apply to shipments of seed.

Disposition of Infested Shipments (Sections 6341 through 6344 & 6521 through 6524, FAC)

Any shipment of nursery stock found infested shall be refused delivery and may be destroyed, except that if safe and practicable to do so, it may be returned to origin or treated and released; or it may be divided and a part of it returned or treated.

Any shipment infested with the seed of a pest (weed seed) not of common occurrence shall be similarly disposed of.

SHIPMENTS TO OR IMPORTS FROM OTHER STATES

Before ordering nursery stock from other areas, and also before making shipments to other states and foreign countries, consult the County Agricultural Commissioner regarding plant quarantine requirements which may affect your shipments.

Nurseries are warned that all plant materials received from out of state, except as provided by Origin Inspection Agreement, are required to be held under quarantine until released by the destination County Agricultural Commissioner.

INTRASTATE CALIFORNIA PLANT QUARANTINES

For changes subsequent to this publication and for details concerning plant quarantines, consult your County Agricultural Commissioner. The following regulations are subject to change.

Section 3400, CCR, **PEACH MOSAIC DISEASE** Interior Quarantine, forbids the movement of scions or nursery stock of peach, nectarine, apricot, almond, plum, and prune (including flowering forms) from San Diego County and parts of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties to elsewhere in the state and regulates the movement of budwood and plants within the quarantined area when intended for use in commercial plantings. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3401, CCR, **OZONIUM ROOT ROT** Interior Quarantine, prohibits the movement of all rooted nursery stock and soil except when accompanied by a certificate of quarantine compliance issued by the County Agricultural Commissioner from the quarantined area (all of Imperial and parts of Riverside and San Diego Counties). ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3406, CCR, **MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of host fruits and soil within the drip area of plants producing or which have produced host fruit, from portions of Orange, Riverside, and San Diego Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3407, CCR, **CITRUS TRISTEZA VIRUS** Interior Quarantine, prohibits the movement of citrus trees and scions from Orange and Ventura Counties and portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Santa Barbara Counties to elsewhere in the state. This quarantine requires a moving or a cutting permit for the movement of citrus nursery stock or budwood into and between suppressive areas. Suppressive areas include Kern County and portions of Fresno, Riverside, and Tulare Counties. Other portions of the state are in the regulated area and a permit is required for movement to the suppressive area. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3409, CCR, **PINK BOLLWORM** Interior Quarantine, restricts the movement of cotton, cottonseed, cotton plants and plant parts, kenaf, and okra from all cotton-producing areas of California. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3410, CCR, **HYDRILLA** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of hydrilla plants and plant parts, and articles which may transport hydrilla, from portions of Calaveras, Imperial, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Shasta, Tulare, and Yuba Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3414, CCR, **CHERRY FRUIT FLY** Interior Quarantine, prohibits the movement of cherry fruits and plants in soil from the entire county of Siskiyou and from portions of Humboldt, Shasta, and Trinity Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3417, CCR, **MEXICAN FRUIT FLY** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of host fruits and soil within the drip area of plants producing or which have produced host fruit, from portions of San Diego County. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3419, CCR, **DATE PALM DISEASE** Interior Quarantine, prohibits the movement of all plants and plant parts for propagation, including seed, of the genus Phoenix into Imperial County and into parts of Inyo and Riverside Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3429, CCR, **SWEET POTATO WEEVIL** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of host plants and equipment from portions of San Diego County. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3430, CCR, **KARNAL BUNT DISEASE** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of conveyances, soil, and other specified articles from portions of Imperial and Riverside Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3431, CCR, **OLIVE FRUIT FLY** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of olives and soil within the drip area of plants producing or which have produced olives, from portions of Los Angeles County. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

Section 3432, CCR, **RED IMPORTED FIRE ANT** Interior Quarantine restricts movement of all rooted nursery stock and soil from Orange County and portions of Los Angeles and Riverside Counties. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

COUNTY RESTRICTIONS

APPLES - Contra Costa, El Dorado, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus, Tulare, and Ventura Counties have restrictions prohibiting the movement of apple fruit and trees into these counties unless certain conditions are met due to concerns about apple maggot. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

BERMUDA GRASS - Del Norte, San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara, and Siskiyou Counties have announced that restrictions will be enforced governing the movement of Bermuda grass seed and cut Bermuda grass for planting into these counties without prior approval of the County Agricultural Commissioner. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

CELERY - Section 3610, Western Celery Mosaic Host-Free Districts and Periods, prohibits celery plants in portions of San Luis Obispo County and all of Monterey and Ventura Counties during specific periods each year. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

CITRUS NURSERY STOCK - Fresno, Glenn, Imperial, Kern, Madera, Riverside, San Diego, Tulare, and Ventura Counties have announced that restrictions will be enforced governing the movement of citrus nursery stock, including budwood, into and within these counties to prevent further distribution of certain citrus pests. ***Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.***

CITRUS AND PSIDIUM - Fresno, Glenn, Imperial, Kern, Madera, Riverside (portions), Tulare, and San Bernardino (portions) Counties have restrictions on all plants and plant parts of all species and varieties of the genera Citrus and Psidium (guava) from the woolly whitefly infested Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside (portions), San Bernardino (portions), San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, and Ventura. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

COTTON - Glenn County restricts the movement and maintenance of all parts of cotton plants and their seeds and cotton equipment due to concerns about *Verticillium dahliae*. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

GARLIC - Section 3559, CCR, Garlic Production in Mono County restricts the movement of garlic plants or parts for planting, or machinery used in garlic fields, into the Antelope, Benton, Chalfant, and Hammil Valleys of Mono County. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

GRAPEVINES - El Dorado, Glenn, Lake, Mariposa, Nevada, and Placer Counties have announced that restrictions will be enforced governing the movement into or within the counties of all grapevines, cuttings, and used vineyard equipment due to concerns about grape phylloxera. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

GRAPEVINES - Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Sonoma, Lake, and San Joaquin Counties have restrictions on the entry of any green-growing (bearing leaves) grapevines due to concerns about the western grapeleaf skeletonizer. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

LETTUCE - Section 3597, CCR, Lettuce Root Aphid Host-Free Districts, prohibits Lombardy poplars in the Pajaro and Salinas Valleys. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

LETTUCE - Section 3611, CCR, Lettuce Mosaic Host-Free District and Period, prohibits lettuce and endive plants in Monterey County from December 7th through December 21st of each year. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

PEACH AND NECTARINE TREES - Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties have announced that restrictions will be enforced governing the movement of peach and nectarine trees, including their flowering forms and all parts of these trees for or capable of propagation, except fruit pits and registered trees or budwood identified by an official state tag or seal, into these counties. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

WEED PESTS - Plant quarantine inspectors throughout the state have been instructed to refuse balled or canned nursery stock infested with serious weed pests unless it is feasible to remove all vegetative reproductive weed parts. **Consult County Agricultural Commissioner for details.**

GRADES AND STANDARDS FOR NURSERY STOCK

Definitions (Sections 53301 through 53313, FAC)

"Advertisement" means any representation which relates to nursery stock, that is disseminated in any manner or by any means, except a representation which is on the label. "Decorative plants" means indoor plants which are commonly grown and sold in movable containers, and which are not adapted for cultivation out of doors because of climatic conditions and natural peculiarities of habit or growth and because of the purpose of their cultivation. "Grade size" means the designation relating to nursery stock, which denotes the height, spread, caliper, dimension, condition, quality, age, methods of propagation, or means of growth. "Labeling" means all labels, and other written, printed, or graphic representations, in any form whatsoever, which accompanies and pertains to any nursery stock. "Nursery stock" means all kinds of nursery stock except decorative plants and seeds. "Ornamental" means any plant which is grown for ornamental purposes, except decorative plants, dormant bulbs, tubers, roots, corms, rhizomes, and pips.

Regulations (Sections 53391 and 53392, FAC)

The Secretary is authorized to adopt regulations to provide for grade sizes of the different kinds of nursery stock and such other regulations as may be necessary.

Labeling (Sections 53481 through 53483, FAC)

Nursery stock may be labeled at the discretion of the seller, but if it is, the law requires the botanical name on ornamentals (but not roses, fruit trees, or annual or herbaceous perennial ornamental plants); the recognized common name and cultivar for fruit trees; the kind and cultivar for turf; and the cultivar name on roses, annual or herbaceous perennial ornamental plants, dormant bulbs, tubers, roots, corms, rhizomes, pips, and other kinds of nursery stock. For the last group of kinds of nursery stock, exception is made allowing the use of the recognized common name only when no cultivar name has been given or can be determined. County Agricultural Commissioners should be consulted for details.

Dead, Dying or Damaged Stock Shall Not Be Sold (Sections 53451 and 53452, FAC)

Nursery stock when sold shall not be dead or in a dying or seriously damaged condition. Deciduous fruit and nut trees when sold shall be free from defective roots and other deformation.

Unlawful Acts (Sections 53511 and 53512, FAC)

It is unlawful to label improperly; to misrepresent or mislead by labeling or advertising; to detach, alter, deface, or destroy any warning tag or notice; to hinder or obstruct an enforcement officer; and/or to fail to comply with a warning tag or notice.

Enforcing Officers (Section 53361, FAC)

The Secretary and the County Agricultural Commissioners, and their deputies and inspectors, are enforcing officers.

Warning Tag or Notice (Sections 53421 and 53423, FAC)

A warning tag or notice may be issued and enforced covering nursery stock in violation, which shall prohibit the movement of such stock until the violation is corrected and the warning tag or

notice is removed by an enforcing officer. The owner or custodian of nursery stock has the right to appeal an order of the County Agricultural Commissioner to the Secretary.

Prosecution, Public Nuisance (Sections 53363 and 53561, FAC)

The Secretary or County Agricultural Commissioner may institute proceedings against violators. Any lot of nursery stock in violation is a public nuisance subject to seizure by a court of competent jurisdiction with abatement remedies.

Penalty (Section 53541, FAC)

Violation is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$50 to \$500, or a jail sentence of up to six months, or both.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Citrus Nursery Stock (Sections 6971 through 6979)

An annual assessment of one percent of the gross sales of citrus nursery stock produced in the state is collected to support citrus nursery stock improvement activities. An appointed board advises on the expenditure of collected funds.

Fruit Tree, Nut Tree, and Grapevine Nursery Stock (Sections 6981 through 6989)

An annual assessment of one percent of the gross sales of fruit tree, nut tree, and grapevine nursery stock produced in the state is collected to support fruit tree, nut tree, and grapevine nursery stock improvement activities. An appointed board advises on the expenditure of collected funds.

REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

(Sections 5821 through 5827, FAC)

Requests for information concerning the following programs should be directed to the Pest Exclusion/Nursery Program; 1220 N Street, Room A-372, Sacramento, CA 95814

REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION. Upon application, under established rules and regulations and accompanied by the proper fee, inspections are made of plants, premises, and records. Plants found not to be infested or infected or liable to become infested or infected with pests may be registered or certified. Special treatments may be made. This service is supported by fees paid under the provisions of this section. It is unlawful to alter, deface, or misuse any certificate or tag.

Avocado Certification (Sections 3030 through 3033, CCR)

Avocado nursery stock may be certified when grown in accordance with specified procedures to protect against infection with avocado root rot (*Phytophthora cinnamomi*).

Avocado Registration (Sections 3033.1 through 3033.5, CCR)

Avocado trees may be registered for the purpose of providing rootstock and scion-wood sources for the propagation of nursery stock when inspected and tested for the sun-blotch viroid disease. Registration is limited to varieties or clones that are considered to be the best available in the industry from a pest cleanliness standpoint.

Citrus Tree Registration and Certification (Sections 3000 through 3004, CCR)

Citrus trees may be registered to provide rootstock and scion sources for the propagation of certified nursery stock when inspected and tested for virus, virus-like, and graft-transmissible diseases. In addition, citrus seed trees may be registered for use as sources of seed for rootstock propagative material after having been inspected for the virus psorosis.

Deciduous Fruit and Nut Trees (Sections 3015 through 3015.5, CCR)

Deciduous fruit and nut trees may be registered for the purpose of providing rootstock and scion sources for the propagation of certified nursery stock when inspected and tested for specific virus diseases and other pests. Progeny trees eligible for entry in the program may be obtained from the Foundation Plant Materials Service, University of California, Davis.

Grapevines (Sections 3024 through 3024.4, CCR)

Grapevines or grapevine plantings may be registered as rootstock and top stock sources for the propagation of nursery stock when inspected, tested, and found apparently free from specific virus diseases. Nursery stock grown from registered sources may be certified. Foundation stock eligible for entry in the program may be obtained from the Foundation Plant Materials Service, University of California, Davis.

Nematode Certification (Sections 3055 through 3055.6, and 3640, CCR)

Nursery stock for commercial farm planting must meet the requirements of the Nursery Stock Nematode Certification program to assure freedom from plant parasitic nematodes.

Pome Fruit Trees (Sections 3020 through 3020.5, CCR)

Pome fruit trees may be registered for the purpose of providing rootstock and scion sources for the propagation of certified nursery stock when inspected and tested for specific virus diseases and other pests.

Seed Garlic (Sections 3044 through 3044.6, CCR)

Seed garlic, grown in accordance with specified procedures in an area where stem and bulb nematode is not prevalent, may be approved as propagative stock or may be certified when inspected and found free from stem and bulb nematode (*Ditylenchus dipsaci*).

Strawberry Plants (Sections 3049 through 3049.5, CCR)

Strawberry plants may be approved as propagative stock or may be certified when inspected and tested for virus diseases, nematodes, and other serious pests.