

EXPLANATION OF REGULATIONS FOR PERSONS IMPORTING NURSERY STOCK INTO CANADA.

Provision is made under Section 3 for the importation of certain classes of stock indicated in sub-sections '(a)' to '(e)' at any season of the year and through any port. Such stock is exempt from fumigation and inspection and no notification of the importation of such stock is necessary.

It should be noted, however, that greenhouse-grown stock must be accompanied by a certificate.

All other stock, with the additional exception of European stock, must be fumigated in the Fumigation Station at one of the ports of entry specified under section 3, through which ports such stock may be imported during certain seasons of the year only as defined.

Certificates of Fumigation or Exemption are issued by the officers in charge of the Fumigation Stations.

Nursery stock from the following places is inspected:—Europe, Japan and the States of Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Rhode Island, six of the United States of America. This inspection is made either at the port of entry, as for example in the case of shipments consigned to points in New Brunswick or West of Winnipeg, etc., or at the destination of the stock, according to the decision of the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture.

When stock is allowed to proceed to its destination for inspection it must not be unpacked except in the presence of an inspector.

Importers must notify the Dominion Entomologist of the name of the consignee and of the nature, origin, and quantity of the stock, etc., on despatching the order, and a second notification is to be sent of the arrival of the shipments.

This also applies to Custom House Brokers, transportation companies and others bringing stock into Canada. The sending of this notification need not entail much trouble, as a duplicate copy can be made at the time of despatching the order and mailed, postage free, to the Dominion Entomologist.

When instructing shippers as to the port of entry through which the stock is to be shipped, importers should also carefully note and advise shippers of the dates upon which the fall and spring importation seasons close or open, otherwise inconvenience may be caused by the refusal to admit the stock not arriving within the prescribed periods. Importers may obtain copies of this Act to send the shippers on application to the Dominion Entomologist, to whom all inquiries should be addressed.