

FEDERAL DOMESTIC QUARANTINE ORDER
***PHYTOPHTHORA RAMORUM*; 7 CFR 301.92**
September 20, 2006

Recent information from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and the United Kingdom's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) has identified additional plants associated with *P. ramorum* not previously reported. CFIA reported the find of five naturally infected plants in a nursery setting. The United Kingdom's DEFRA reported several new detections of plants infected with *P. ramorum*. DEFRA also reported that Koch's postulates have been completed for a number of plants previously listed as plants associated with *P. ramorum*. The newly added plants are:

Castanopsis orthacantha

- Family: Fagaceae (Beech family)
- Common name: Castanopsis
- Symptoms: Leaf drip tip and mid-rib necrosis

Cornus kousa x Cornus capitata

- Family: Cornaceae (Dogwood family)
- Common name: Cornus Norman Haddon
- Symptoms: Shoot tip die-back

Distylium myricoides

- Family: Hamamelidaceae (Witch hazel family)
- Common name: Myrtle-leaved Distylium
- Symptoms: Leaf blight

Eucalyptus haemastoma

- Family: Myrtaceae (Myrtle family)
- Common name: Scribbly gum
- Symptoms: Chlorotic leaves

Ilex purpurea

- Family: Aquifoliaceae (Holly family)
- Common name: Oriental holly
- Symptoms: Leaf blight and tip die-back

Loropetalum chinense

- Family: Hamamelidaceae (Witch hazel family)
- Common name: Loropetalum
- Symptoms: Leaf blight

Manglietia insignis

- Family: Magnoliaceae (Magnolia family)
- Common name: Red lotus tree

- Symptoms: Leaf blight and tip die-back

Parakmeria lotungensis

- Family: Magnoliaceae (Magnolia family)
- Common name: Eastern joy lotus tree
- Symptoms: Leaf blight

On March 14, you were notified by a SPRO letter (DA#2006-09) and the accompanying Federal Domestic Quarantine Order that we were adding “Rosa ‘Meidiland’”, a group of cultivated roses to the list of regulated nursery stock. We are refining the listing for that entry. We have recently learned that the specific cultivars of rose which have been found in a nursery setting infected with *P. ramorum* are consistently found with “tags” applied at the grower, which will identify those specific cultivars. The nursery under inspection is to identify for inspectors which roses in stock match these listed cultivars with corresponding tags. This will avoid time consuming holds on their plants and additional inspections to assure all roses which require inspection are inspected. Those roses we had identified in the Federal Domestic Quarantine Order dated March 14, 2006, as “Rosa ‘Meidiland’” we are refining to read as: “Rosa (specific cultivars): Royal Bonica (tagged: “MEImodac”), Pink Meidiland (tagged: “MEIpoque”), Pink Sevillana (tagged: “MEIgeroka”)”.

DEFRA has now reported that Koch’s postulates have now been completed for four more species. Therefore, *Acer pseudoplatanus*, *Aesculus hippocastanum*, *Laurus nobilis*, and *Michelia doltsopa*, which had been listed as plants associated with *P. ramorum* and regulated only as nursery stock, are now listed as proven hosts. They are now added to those under regulation as per the Federal Order dated December 21, 2004 and 7 CFR 301.92-2 as regulated articles.

As an interim measure, the above plants are added to those already regulated as per PPQ Emergency Federal Order (Order) dated December 21, 2004, which regulates the movement of nursery stock from the States of Washington, Oregon and California. Those nurseries operating under a compliance agreement may continue to ship Hosts and Associated Plants including the newly listed plants. **Any other nurseries containing these newly listed associated plants must be properly inspected, sampled, tested and placed under a Compliance Agreement by October 10, 2006, to be able to move the above listed plants interstate.**

This action is authorized by the Plant Protection Act of June 20, 2000, as amended, Section 412(a), 7 U.S.C. 7712(a), which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to prohibit or restrict the movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant part, or article if the Secretary determines the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the dissemination of a plant pest within the United States.