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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
Plant Protection and Inspection Services

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Attached to potato seed import permit no.

**Requirements for import of seed potatoes from: Ireland, France,
Germany, Scotland and Denmark**

Note: Import of seed potatoes is restricted to the following areas: Northern Ireland, The Republic of Ireland, Denmark, Scotland, France and Germany (Schleswig Holstein, Nether Saxonia and Mecklenburg).

A Phytosanitary Certificate stating the class, growing area and the following additional declarations shall accompany each consignment.

Field Inspection

1. The fields and the surrounding area (as specified below) have never been found to be infected with:
 - A) *Synchytrium endobioticum* (potato wart disease) (2 km).
 - B) *Ralstonia solanacearum* (brown rot disease) (5 km).
 - C) *Clavibacter michiganensis* subsp. *sepedonicus* (potato ring rot disease) (10 km).
2. The country of origin is free from *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (Colorado potato beetle),
Or: The fields from which the crop derived and the packing houses are free from this pest.
3. The fields from which the crop was derived were found free from *Globodera rostochiensis* (golden nematode) and *Globodera pallida* (white potato cyst nematode) according to official laboratory examinations of soil samples taken up to 10 months before planting or during the current potato seed crop growth close to harvest or directly after harvest of the current potato seed crop.
4. The fields from which the crop derived were inspected at least twice, during active growth, and the incidence of *Pectobacterium spp.* (formerly: *Erwinia carotovora carotovora* and *Erwinia carotovora atroseptica*) did not exceed 0.5%. All infected plants and their tubers were removed prior to harvest.
5. The fields from which the crop derived were inspected at least twice, during active growth and found free from *Pectobacterium carotovora subsp. brasiliense* and *Candidatus phytoplasma solani* (*Stolbur phytoplasma*).
6. The fields from which the crop derived were inspected at least twice, during active growth, and the incidence of *Dickeya spp.* (formerly: *Erwinia chrysanthemi* pathovars attacking Solanaceae) did not exceed 0.03%. All infected plants and their tubers were removed prior to harvest.
7. The country of production is free from **Potato spindle tuber viroid** in potatoes.

Tuber Inspection/Testing

Tubers should be free of the following pests and diseases or not exceed the limit stated below: (percentage of the consignment by tubers).

<i>Synchytrium endobioticum</i> (potato wart disease)	0%
<i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i> (brown rot disease) based upon lab. test of 200 tubers/25 ton. (For Scotland and Denmark - no requirements)	0%

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<i>Dickeya</i> spp. (formerly: <i>Erwinia chrysanthemi</i>)	0%
<i>Pectobacterium caratovora</i> subsp. <i>brasilense</i> .	0%
<i>Candidatus phytoplasma solani</i> (Stolbur phytoplasma).	0%
<i>Clavibacter michiganensis</i> subsp. <i>sepedonicus</i> (potato ring rot disease)	0%
<i>Leptinotarsa decemlineata</i> (Colorado potato beetle)	0%
<i>Globodera rostochiensis</i> (golden nematode)	0%
<i>Globodera pallida</i> (white potato cyst nematode)	0%
<i>Ditylenchus destructor</i> (potato rot nematode)	0%
<i>Meloidogyne chitwoodi</i> (Columbia root-knot nematode)	0%
PVY^{ntn}	0%
Tobacco rattle virus	0%
Potato spindle tuber viroid	0%
<i>Streptomyces</i> spp. (common scab)	
No more than 4 small spots	30%
More than 5 spots of each affected tuber as part of the 30%	1%
Deep pitted scab	0.3%
<i>Spongospora subterranea</i> (powdery scab)	1%
 Severe cankerous form of the disease	 0%
 <i>Phytophthora infestans</i> (late blight)	 0.3%
 Soft rots caused by various organisms.	 0.1%
<i>Fusarium</i> spp. and <i>Phoma</i> spp. (dry rots).	1%
(Maximum cumulative tolerance for late blight, soft rots and dry rots mentioned above is 1%)	
 <i>Rhizoctonia solani</i> (black scurf)	 10%
<i>Colletotrichum coccodes</i> (black dots)	30%

Class requirements

For Class requirements, see details on the first page of the import permit, paragraph number 3.

Shipment requirements

The tubers should be packed in new unused packing material. Both tubers and the packing containers should be practically free of soil and sand.

Every container in the consignment shall be marked with the following information:
 Certified seed potatoes, country of origin, marketing firm, growing region, grower's identification lot number (grower/variety/plot), month and year of closing, variety, class and size. These specifications should be written or printed on the tag attached to the container.

Every container shall be sealed with a tag of the certification authority or it's recognized initial.

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