

Council Decision of 16 December 2008 on the equivalence of forest reproductive material produced in third countries (2008/971/EC)

*Article 4*

**Master Certificate**

[<sup>F1</sup>When seed and planting stock enter the Union, the supplier importing this material shall inform the official body of that Member State in advance of the import. The official body shall issue a Master Certificate based on the official OECD Certificate of Provenance before the material is placed on the market.]

The Master Certificate shall indicate that the material has been imported under an equivalence regime.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Substituted by [Decision No 1104/2012/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 amending Council Decision 2008/971/EC to include forest reproductive material of the ‘qualified’ category and to update the name of the authorities responsible for the approval and control of the production.](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision of 16 December 2008 on the equivalence of forest reproductive material produced in third countries (2008/971/EC), Article 4.