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Certification requirements

PART 2

Certification of pre-basic material

Soil requirements

- 11.—(1) Pre-basic mother plants and pre-basic material may only be grown in soil that is free from any pests which are listed in Annex III to Directive 2014/98/EU, for the genus or species concerned and which host viruses affecting that genus or species.
 - (2) Freedom from such pests must be established by sampling and testing.
- (3) Sampling and testing for pests listed in Annex III to Directive 2014/98/EU must be carried out—
 - (a) before the pre-basic mother plants or the pre-basic material is planted and must be repeated during growth where there is suspicion concerning the presence of the pests referred to in sub-paragraph (1);
 - (b) taking into account the climatic conditions and the biology of the pests listed in Annex III to Directive 2014/98/EU, and where those pests are relevant for the pre-basic mother plants or the pre-basic material concerned.
 - (4) Sampling and testing is not required—
 - (a) where plants, which are hosts for the pests listed in Annex III to Directive 2014/98/EU for the genus or species concerned, have not been grown in the soil of production for a period of at least five years and where there is no doubt concerning the absence of the relevant pests in that soil;
 - (b) where the Department concludes, on the basis of an official inspection, that the soil is free from any pests which are listed in Annex III to Directive 2014/98/EU, for the genus or species concerned, and which host viruses affecting that genus or species.