#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2005 No. 2517

# The Plant Health (Forestry) Order 2005

### PART 3

#### INTERNAL COMMUNITY CONTROLS ON MOVEMENT

### General provisions relating to plant passports

- 23.—(1) Any alteration or erasure in a plant passport shall automatically invalidate that plant passport unless the alteration or erasure is certified by the authorised officer or the forestry trader authorised under article 28 to issue the plant passport placing his hand written initials next to the alteration or erasure.
- (2) A plant passport relating to any relevant material shall be treated as accompanying that relevant material only if the plant passport is—
  - (a) affixed to the relevant material or to the packaging of that material by an authorised officer, the forestry trader authorised to issue it or an inspector; or
  - (b) carried in the vehicle transporting that material.
- (3) A plant passport, insofar as it comprises an official label, shall be affixed in such a way that it cannot be re-used.
  - (4) A person may only issue a replacement plant passport—
    - (a) to replace a plant passport issued in respect of a consignment—
      - (i) that has been divided up;
      - (ii) that has been combined, or part of which has been combined, with another consignment; or
      - (iii) whose plant health status has changed; and
    - (b) if he is satisfied that the relevant material to which the replacement plant passport will relate—
      - (i) can be identified; and
      - (ii) is free from any risk of infestation by a tree pest specified in either Schedule 1 or 2.