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ANNEX V

Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on specific plants for planting

PART G

Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on seed of oil and fibre plants

1. **Inspection of the crop**

(1) The competent authority, or the professional operator under the official supervision of the competent authority, shall carry out field inspections on the crop from which the seed of oil and fibre plants is produced to ensure that the presence of the RNQPs does not exceed the thresholds set out in the following table:

Fungi and oomycetes				
RNQPs or symptoms caused by RNQPs	Plants for planting (genus or species)	Thresholds for the production of pre-basic seed	Thresholds for the production of basic seed	Thresholds for the production of certified seed
Plasmopara halstedii (Farlow) Berlese & de Toni [PLASHA]	Helianthus annuus L.	0 %	0 %	0 %

The competent authority may authorise inspectors, other than the professional operators, to carry out the field inspections on its behalf and under its official supervision.

(2) Those field inspections shall be carried out when the condition and the stage of development of the crop allow for an adequate inspection.

There shall be at least one field inspection per year, at the most appropriate time for the detection of the respective RNQPs.

(3) The competent authority shall determine the size, the number and the distribution of the portions of the field to be inspected in accordance with appropriate methods.

The proportion of the crops for the production of seed to be officially inspected by the competent authority shall be at least 5 %.

2. Sampling and testing of seed of oil and fibre plants

- (1) The competent authority shall:
- (a) officially draw seed samples from lots of seed of oil and fibre plants;
- (b) authorise seed samplers to carry out sampling, on its behalf and under its official supervision;
- (c) compare the seed samples drawn by itself with those of the same seed lot drawn by the seed samplers under official supervision;
- (d) supervise the performance of the seed samplers as provided for in point (b).

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(2) The competent authority or the professional operator under the official supervision shall sample and test the seed of oil and fibre plants in accordance with up to date international methods.

Except for automatic sampling, the competent authority shall check-sample a proportion of at least 5 % of the seed lots entered for certification. That proportion shall be as evenly spread as possible over natural and legal persons entering seed for certification, and the species entered, but may also be aimed at eliminating specific doubts.

- (3) For automatic sampling, appropriate procedures shall be applied and it shall be officially supervised.
- (4) For the examination of seed for certification and the examination of commercial seed, samples shall be drawn from homogeneous lots. As regards the lot and sample weights, the table of Annex III to Directive 2002/57/EC shall apply.

3. Additional measures for seed of oil and fibre plants

The competent authority, or the professional operator under the official supervision of the competent authority, shall carry out the following additional inspections and take any other actions to ensure that the requirements, concerning the respective RNQPs and plants for planting, are fulfilled:

- (1) Measures on seed of *Helianthus annuus* L. to prevent the presence of *Plasmopora halstedii*
 - (a) the seeds of *Helianthus annuus* L. originate in areas known to be free from *Plasmopara halstedii*;

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(b) no symptoms of *Plasmopara halstedii* have been observed at the production site in at least two inspections at appropriate times during the growing season;

or

- (c) the production site has been subject to at least two field inspections at appropriate times to detect the pest during the growing season; and
 - (ii) no more than 5 % of plants have shown symptons of *Plasmopara halstedii* during field inspection, all plants showing symptoms of *Plasmopara halstedii* have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and
 - (iii) at the final inspection no plants have been found showing symptoms of *Plasmopara halstedii*;

or

- (d) (i) the production site has been subject to at least two field inspections at appropriate times during the growing season; and
 - (ii) all plants showing symptoms of *Plasmopara halstedii* have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and

- (iii) at the final inspection, no plants have been found showing symptoms of *Plasmopara*. *halstedii*, and a representative sample from each lot has been tested and found free from *Plasmopara halstedii* or(e) the seeds have been subjected to an appropriate treatment which has been demonstrated to be effective against all known strains of *Plasmopara halstedii* (Farlow) Berlese & de Toni.
- (2) Measures on seeds of *Helianthus annuus* L. and *Linum usitatissimum* L. to prevent the presence of *Botrytis cinerea*
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Botrytis cinerea* has been applied; or
 - (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (3) Measures on seeds of *Glycine max* (L.) Merryl to prevent the presence of *Diaporthe caulivora* (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*)
 - (a) Seed treatment authorised for use against *Diaporthe caulivora* (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*) has been applied;

or

- (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (4) Measures on seeds of *Glycine max* (L.) Merryl to prevent the presence of *Diaporthe* var. *sojae*
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Diaporthe* var. *sojae* has been applied;

or

- (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (5) Measures on seeds of *Linum usitatissimum* L. to prevent the presence of *Alternaria linicola*
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Alternaria linicola* has been applied;

or

- (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (6) Measures on seeds of *Linum usitatissimum* L. to prevent the presence of *Boeremia exigua* var. *linicola*
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Boeremia exigua* var. *linicola* has been applied;

or

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- (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of a laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (7) Measures on seeds of *Linum usitatissimum* L. to prevent the presence of *Colletotrichum lini*
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Colletotrichum lini* has been applied;

or

- (b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded on the basis of a laboratory test of a representative sample.
- (8) Measures on seeds of *Linum usitatissimum* L. to prevent the presence of *Fusarium* (anamorphic genus), other than *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis* (Kill. & Maire) W.L. Gordon and *Fusarium circinatum* Nirenberg & O'Donnell.
 - (a) seed treatment authorised for use against *Fusarium* (anamorphic genus), other than *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis* (Kill. & Maire) W.L. Gordon and *Fusarium circinatum* Nirenberg & O'Donnell, has been applied;

or

(b) the set tolerance on seed is not exceeded based on laboratory test of a representative sample.