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The Plant Health Order (Northern Ireland) 2006

PART 4

**REGISTRATION OF PLANT TRADERS AND
AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PLANT PASSPORTS**

Conditions for maintaining registration as a plant trader

28.—(1) A registered plant trader shall in relation to the activities and premises to which his registration relates comply with the following conditions:

- (a) he shall keep an accurate plan of the premises;
- (b) he shall keep a record of relevant material purchased by him or brought onto the premises for storage, planting or production on those premises, and of relevant material under production on or dispatched from those premises;
- (c) he shall keep all documents, created or received by him, relating to the records kept under subparagraph (b), for at least one year from the date he created or received them;
- (d) he shall designate an individual (whether himself or another) who is technically experienced in relation to the activities carried out on the premises and related plant health matters affecting the premises who shall be available to liaise with the Department in relation to matters arising under this Order;
- (e) he shall examine his premises and relevant material at such times and in a manner specified in guidelines issued from time to time by the Department;
- (f) he shall make a declaration at such time and in such form as the Department may from time to time require that he is able and willing to comply with the conditions specified in sub-paragraphs (a) to (e); and
- (g) he shall comply with any other conditions which may be specified by the Department which it considers necessary to enable it to assess the presence of or spread of any plant pest on the premises by reason of the condition of those premises.

(2) The requirements of paragraph (1) shall not apply to any registered plant trader who is engaged solely in the production or importation of:

- (a) tubers of *Solanum tuberosum* L. (excluding seed potatoes);
- (b) fruit of *Citrus* L., *Fortunella* Swingle or *Poncirus* Raf. and their hybrids.

(3) Where the Department is satisfied that a registered plant trader has failed to comply with any of the conditions specified in paragraph (1) it may suspend his registration until it is satisfied that he is able and willing to comply with those conditions.