

SCHEDULE 5

Certification of plant material

PART 3

Certification of basic material

Rootstock not belonging to a variety

15.—(1) A rootstock not belonging to a variety may be certified as basic material if it meets the requirements in sub-paragraph (2).

(2) The requirements are that the rootstock—

- (a) is true to the description of its species;
- (b) is individually identified throughout the production process;
- (c) complies with the time period specified in paragraph 8(3)(b);
- (d) complies with paragraph 12 concerning defects;
- (e) complies with the health requirements in paragraph 16;
- (f) is grown in soil that is found, by sampling and testing, to comply with paragraph 17;
- (g) has been maintained in accordance with paragraph 18; and
- (h) where appropriate, has been multiplied in accordance with paragraph 19.

(3) For the purpose of this paragraph, any reference to pre-basic mother plants or pre-basic material in the paragraphs mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) is to be construed as reference to basic mother plants or basic material, as the case may be.

(4) Where a rootstock not belonging to a variety is a basic mother plant or basic material that no longer fulfils the requirements of sub-paragraph (2) the supplier—

- (a) must remove the rootstock from the vicinity of other basic mother plants and basic material;
- (b) may take appropriate measures in order to ensure the rootstock complies with those requirements again.

(5) A supplier may use any rootstock removed in accordance with sub-paragraph (4)(a) as certified or CAC material provided the rootstock fulfils the requirements set out in these Regulations for the respective categories.