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Attention Nursery Plant Dealer/Landscaper:

The State of New Jersey's Nursery Law (N.J.S.A. 4:7-15 es seq.) Is intended to ensure that nursery stock sold or distributed in New Jersey if free from injurious insects and plant diseases. Certification as a Plant Dealer will enable you to buy and resell nursery stock in accordance with the Nursery Law. A "Plant Dealer" means a person who purchases nursery stock from other certified nurserymen and offers such stock for sale at a retail outlet or through landscaping services (N.J.A.C. 2:18-1 et seq.).

Please complete a Dealer's Agreement and return it to our office. List on the Agreement those suppliers from which your firm purchases nursery stock. (Please do not send payment at this time.) Upon receipt, the Division will review the agreement to verify that your sources are certified either by the state of New Jersey, or in the state in which they are located, and are supplying nursery stock that has been inspected and certified free from injurious insects and plant diseases.

Following inspection of the Agreement by our staff, you will receive an invoice for the amount of \$75.00 for the Plant Dealer Agreement Inspection. A Plant Dealer Certificate will be mailed to you upon receipt of payment. This is a yearly inspection.

Please remember that to maintain your status as a certified Plant Dealer you agree to purchase and resell only nursery stock accompanied by an official certificate of inspection.

These precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of the plant pests, and to maintain the good reputation of New Jersey's nursery and landscape industry. If you have any question, or wish to receive a copy of the current Directory of New Jersey Certified Nurseries and Plant Dealers, please contact our office at (609) 406-6939.

Sincerely,

Ryan Rieder. Entomologist

Nursery Inspection Program

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