

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 29

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE PLANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE, CH. 23. NO. 17

REGULATIONS

MADE BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE PLANT
PROTECTION ORDINANCE

THE PLANT PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 1996

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Plant Protection Citation
(Amendment) Regulations, 1996.

2. In these Regulations, “the Regulations” means the Plant Interpretation
Protection Regulations, 1953. Ch. 23. No. 17

3. Regulation 2 of the Regulations is amended by deleting the Regulation 2
definition of “Director of Agriculture” and by inserting in appropriate amended
alphabetical sequence the following definition:

“ “Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture)” means the person
holding, or acting in, the office of Chief Technical Officer
(Agriculture) in the Ministry and includes an officer of the
Ministry acting in accordance with his directions;”.

4. The Regulations are amended by deleting the words “Director of Regulations
Agriculture” wherever they occur and substituting in each place the amended
words “Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture)”.

5. Regulation 12 of the Regulations is revoked and the following Regulation 12
regulation is substituted: revoked and
substituted

“ 12. (1) No planting material shall be imported into Trinidad
and Tobago unless a permit for the importation has previously
been granted by the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture).

(2) A separate permit shall be obtained for each
consignment of planting material imported.”.

6. Regulation 13 of the Regulations is amended—

- Regulation 13
amended
- (a) in subregulation (1), by deleting the words “any of the
planting material specified in the Schedule to this Part”
and substituting the words “planting material”;
 - (b) in subregulation (2), by deleting the words “specified in the
Schedule to this Part”; and
 - (c) by deleting the words “the Comptroller of Customs and
Excise” and substituting the words “a Plant Protection
Officer”.

- Schedule to Part II deleted 7. Part II of the Regulations is amended by deleting the Schedule.
- Regulations 14 and 15 revoked 8. Regulations 14 and 15 of the Regulations are revoked.
- Regulation 16 revoked and substituted 9. Regulation 16 of the Regulations is revoked and the following regulation is substituted:
 “ 16. Fruit and vegetables shall not be imported into Trinidad and Tobago unless they are accompanied by a permit for the importation previously granted by the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture) and a phytosanitary certificate issued by an official of the plant inspection service of the country of origin.”.
- Regulation 17 revoked 10. Regulation 17 of the Regulations is revoked.
- New Part X inserted 11. The Regulations are amended by renumbering Part X as Part XI and by inserting after Part IX, the following Part:

“PART X

CONTROL OF MOVEMENT OF FRUIT, VEGETABLES AND PLANT MATERIAL
IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

32A. No person shall carry or send any fruit, vegetable or plant material to Tobago from Trinidad, or to Trinidad from Tobago, unless the fruit, vegetable or plant material is accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the Chief Technical Officer (Agriculture).

32B. (1) A Plant Protection Officer may seize, treat and destroy any fruit, vegetable or plant material in Trinidad and Tobago which is found to be infected with any plant pest.

(2) No compensation shall be payable in respect of the seizure, destruction of or damage to any fruit, vegetable or plant material or thing (including packaging) as a result of the exercise of the powers conferred by this regulation.

32C. For the purposes of regulation 32B, a Plant Protection Officer may, with or without the assistance of a police officer, stop and search any vehicle on a public road which is being used to transport any plant material.”.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1996.

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Secretary to Cabinet