



# Plant Industry Division

## NURSERY PROGRAM UPDATE

### Reminder of Potato Late Blight and Colorado Potato Beetle Quarantines

The Nevada Department of Agriculture would like to remind retail store managers of the plant health requirements for the sale of seed potatoes and tomato, eggplant and pepper plants from out of state sources. To prevent commodities infected with Potato Late Blight (*Phytophthora infestans*) or Colorado Potato Beetle (*Leptinotarsa decemlineata*) from entering Nevada, the Department has established quarantines which are in effect and summarized below.

**Restrictions:** The following regulated articles are prohibited into Nevada except under the following conditions:

- Seed potatoes or potato plants must be:
  - produced, certified and tagged as certified seed potatoes in the state or county of origin
  - inspected in storage with no late blight found in the lot
  - inspected at the shipping point with no late blight found
- Tomato plants (not seeds) must be:
  - grown in a nursery or greenhouse
  - inspected at that nursery or greenhouse and found to be free of late blight
  - treated prior to shipment with a registered fungicide that is labeled for the control of late blight
  - inspected at the shipping point and found to be free of late blight
- Tomato, Irish potato, eggplant and pepper plants and any soil attached to such tubers, plants or cuttings must be:
  - grown in and shipped from a geographic locality free from the Colorado Potato Beetle
  - all states and territories of the U.S. are considered infested except Alaska, California and Hawaii
  - under certain conditions, nurseries located in infested areas may enter into a Compliance Agreement with NDA to allow shipment of regulated articles

**Each shipment of regulated articles into Nevada shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Quarantine Compliance issued by the state of origin assuring that the conditions of the applicable quarantine have been met. Additionally, seed potatoes must have the applicable seed certification tag attached to each container or display.**

For more information on these quarantines, or to learn about other quarantines in effect, please go to the NDA website [agri.nv.gov/Plant/Nursery/Nursery\\_Home](http://agri.nv.gov/Plant/Nursery/Nursery_Home)

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