

Protocol for the Removal of Plants from the Authorized Plant List

Due to the evolving nature of plant pests, new pest problems with greenhouse grown plant material may arise and necessitate the removal of one or more plants from the authorized list. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the United States Department of Agriculture will jointly consult on any new pest threats to greenhouse grown material and decide whether it is necessary to remove plants. This consultation will occur on an as needed basis any time throughout the year. Depending on the nature of the new pest threat, plants will be removed from the Authorized Plant List immediately or after a period of 30 or 60 days. The CFIA and APHIS will notify their respective greenhouse certification program participants of all decisions to remove plants and the timeframes for their removal.