

Forest reproductive material produced in third countries: ‘tested’ category, its labelling and the names of the authorities responsible for the approval and control of the production

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PURPOSE: to extend the equivalence regime for the import of forest reproductive material established by Decision 2008/971/EC to the ‘tested’ category.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2024/3244 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Decision 2008/971/EC as regards the forest reproductive material of the ‘tested’ category, its labelling and the names of the authorities responsible for the approval and control of the production.

CONTENT: this regulation **extends the equivalence regime** for the import of forest reproductive material established by Decision 2008/971/EC on the equivalence of forest reproductive material produced in third countries **to the ‘tested’ category**, in line with the amended OECD rules of 2013.

It lays down:

- conditions for determining whether FRM of the ‘tested’ category imported from a certain third country can be considered as equivalent to FRM produced within the Union and complying with Directive 1999/105/EC, and;
- the additional conditions as regards seed and planting stocks set out in Decision 2008/971/EC.

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APPLICATION: from 1.1.2025.