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Forest reproductive material — Field standards.

(1) Tested and selected classes. Applicant shall maintain continuous record(s) satisfactory to certifying agency which maintains the identity of the reproductive material through all stages of production, collection, processing, storage, and disbursement from stores, and, in addition, such records as needed to trace the pedigree and document the performance of the reproductive material. The records shall include but are not limited to those involving:

- (a) Selection, location, and origin of the parent trees.
- (b) Pollen, seed, scions, etc., collection, processing, inventory, storage, and use in tree improvement and breeding programs.
- (c) Design, establishment and management of test(s) and the collection, analysis and interpretation of test data.
- (d) Nursery stock production.

Certifying agency shall inspect all phases of the field operation including periodic checks of parent trees, pollen and scion collections; pollinations; cone harvest, storage, processing and inventory; and tests, together with appropriate records.

(2) Source identified reproductive material. Applicant shall develop and make correct use of collector and buyer labels, collector registration, and transportation records, and for nursery stock, labels and records identifying the stock as originating from source identified or better reproductive material.

(a) Subclass A.

(i) Control of collectors shall be such that applicant and certifying agency personally know beyond a reasonable doubt the seed zone or breeding zone or code or portions thereof (as delineated by legal description), and 500-foot elevation increment or specified elevation increment for breeding zone(s) or code(s) within which reproductive material was collected. Control of producers of nursery stock shall be such that applicant and certifying agency personally know beyond a reasonable doubt that the nursery stock was produced from source identified subclass A or better reproductive material.

(ii) Applicant shall provide certifying agency with a written reproductive material collection and/or nursery stock production plan (not later than three days) prior to collection of reproduction material or production of nursery stock.

(iii) Further, all following requirements of subclass B shall be met.

(b) Subclass B.

(i) All collectors shall be supervised sufficiently so that either buyers know where reproductive material was collected, or buyers shall purchase all reproductive material that collectors present for sale without differential of acceptance stated or implied, as to source, location, seed zone, or elevation.

(ii) Buyer shall require collector to sign collector's registration record prior to collection of reproductive material. He shall also issue collector's labels, and direct collector to complete them and place them in or attach them to each container of reproductive material before it is transported from point of collection. Coincident with purchase of reproductive material, he shall complete description on labels including species, source by seed zone, breeding zone or code, elevation increment, special collection area if any, certification class, date of purchase and his signature or initials.

(iii) Buyer shall maintain a buyer record on a form for all reproductive material received, listing species, seed zone, elevation increment, units of reproductive material, date of purchase, collector's name and buyer's name.

(iv) Buyer shall maintain transportation record showing species, seed zone, elevation increment, units of reproductive material, and date shipped.

(v) Producers of nursery stock shall be supervised sufficiently so that applicant knows that the stock was produced from source identified subclass B or better reproductive material.

(vi) The certifying agency shall advise the applicant of problems or conditions that affect competent verification or execution of these standards by certifying agency and applicant.

(vii) Unless other arrangements are made, the certification class shown by the producer on all containers of reproductive material shall be verified by the certifying agency before being transported from the receiving station. The producer is responsible for evidence of verification of the certification class applied for.

(3) Audit class reproductive material.

(a) Buyer shall require collector to sign collector's registration record and to complete collector's labels prior to purchase of reproductive material.

(b) Buyer shall maintain a buyer record on a form for all reproductive material received, listing species, seed zone, elevation increment, units of reproductive material, date of purchase, collector's name and buyer.

(c) Buyer or other shipper of reproductive material shall maintain a transportation record showing species, seed zone, elevation increment, units of reproductive material and date shipped.

(d) Producers of nursery stock shall maintain auditable records identifying the stock as being produced from audit class or better reproductive material.

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