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To: All nurseries registered to issue plant passports and traders of *Xylella fastidiosa* host plants

Subject: *Xylella fastidiosa* awareness

Findings of *Xylella fastidiosa* in Europe

Portugal is the latest country to report a finding of *Xylella fastidiosa* on their territory. The identification occurred in asymptomatic plants of *Lavanda dentata* in a Zoo garden near Porto. Follow up inspections found the disease in symptomatic *Rosmarinus officinalis* plants 1Km away from the Zoo. This whole area is now demarcated and under eradication measures. Previous findings of the disease have been reported in Italy, France, Corsica, Balearic Islands and mainland Spain. Findings in Germany and Belgium were eradicated.

These findings are yet another example of the risks associated with purchasing *Xylella fastidiosa* host plants. The Department of Agriculture encourages you to place new consignments of host plants into quarantine for a certain period and carefully inspect any host plants on your premises. If you notice any suspicious symptoms or have any concerns, please contact the local Plant Health inspector (contact details can be found in Annex 1).

Pre-movement of certain *Xylella fastidiosa* hosts

While numerous plant species are hosts to the disease (see Annex 2), the following plant species have the highest number of detections of the disease in Europe: *Coffea*, *Lavandula dentata* L., *Nerium oleander* L., *Olea europaea* L., *Polygala myrtifolia* L. and *Prunus dulcis* (Mill) D.A. Webb. These plants for planting can only be moved if they have been grown in a site that is subject to annual official inspection by this Department, sampling and testing for the harmful organism *Xylella fastidiosa*.

In addition to the annual official inspection, sampling and testing, plants for planting of *Polygala myrtifolia* L. also require that visual inspection, sampling and testing be carried out as close as possible to the time of their first movement out of their production site.

Plant Passports

All host plants of *Xylella fastidiosa*, including the species listed above, must be accompanied by a Plant Passport when traded between businesses/traders. A plant passport is not required for the movement of host plants to the final consumer. The most recent list of *Xylella fastidiosa* host species that require a plant passport is listed in Annex 2.

Further information on *Xylella fastidiosa* is available on the Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine's (DAFM) website <https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/farmingsectors/planthealthtrade/> and also on the 'Don't Risk It' section of the website <http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/dontriskit/>

In the event that you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact this office either by emailing plantandpests@agriculture.gov.ie or alternatively by telephone (01) 5058885.

Yours sincerely

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Annex 1

Contact Details for DAFM Plant Health Inspectors

Inspector	Contact details	Region
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ANNEX 2:

Host plants found to be susceptible to *Xylella fastidiosa* in the union territory – September 2018

<i>Xylella fastidiosa</i> subsp. <i>fastidiosa</i>	<i>Xylella fastidiosa</i> subsp. <i>multiplex</i>	<i>Xylella fastidiosa</i> - irrespective of the subspecies
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i> L.	<i>Acacia dealbata</i> Link	<i>Calicotome spinosa</i> (L.) Link
<i>Erysimum</i>	<i>Acacia saligna</i> (Labill.) Wendl	<i>Cistus albidus</i> L.
<i>Juglans regia</i> L.	<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> L.	<i>Coffea</i>
<i>Prunus avium</i> L.	<i>Anthyllis hermanniae</i> L.	<i>Genista lucida</i> Cambess.
<i>Streptocarpus</i>	<i>Artemisia arborescens</i> L.	<i>Helicrysum stoechas</i> (L.) Moench
<i>Vitis vinifera</i> L.	<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i> L.	<i>Lavandula dentata</i> L.
	<i>Calicotome villosa</i> (Poiret) Link	<i>Lavandula x chaytorae</i>
<i>Xylella fastidiosa</i> subsp. <i>pauca</i>	<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i> L.	<i>Nerium oleander</i> L.
<i>Acacia saligna</i> (Labill.) Wendl	<i>Cistus creticus</i> L.	<i>Polygala myrtifolia</i> L.
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i> L.	<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i> L.	<i>Prunus dulcis</i> (Mill.) D.A. Webb
<i>Catharanthus</i>	<i>Cistus salviifolius</i> L.	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> L.
<i>Chenopodium album</i> L.	<i>Convolvulus cneorum</i> L.	<i>Teucrium capitatum</i> L.
<i>Cistus creticus</i> L.	<i>Coronilla glauca</i> L.	<i>Veronica elliptica</i> L.
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i> Jacq.	<i>Coronilla valentina</i> L.	
<i>Eremophila maculata</i> F. Muell.	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i> (L.) Link	
<i>Erigeron sumatrensis</i> Retz.	<i>Cytisus villosus</i> Pourr.	
<i>Erigeron bonariensis</i> L.	<i>Euryops chrysanthemoides</i> (DC.) B.Nord.	
<i>Euphorbia terracina</i> L.	<i>Ficus carica</i> L.	
<i>Grevillea juniperina</i> L.	<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> Vahl	
<i>Heliotropium europaeum</i> L.	<i>Genista x spachiana</i> (syn. <i>Cytisus racemosus</i> Broom)	
<i>Laurus nobilis</i> L.	<i>Genista corsica</i> (Loisel.) DC.	
<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill.	<i>Genista ephedroides</i> DC.	
<i>Lavandula stoechas</i> L.	<i>Grevillea juniperina</i> R. Br.	
<i>Myrtus communis</i> L.	<i>Hebe</i>	
<i>Myoporum insulare</i> R. Br.	<i>Helichrysum italicum</i> (Roth) G. Don	
<i>Olea europaea</i> L.	<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill.	
<i>Pelargonium x fragrans</i>	<i>Lavandula dentata</i> L.	
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i> L.	<i>Lavandula stoechas</i> L.	
<i>Prunus avium</i> (L.) L.	<i>Lavandula x allardii</i> (syn. <i>Lavandula x heterophylla</i>)	
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i> L.	<i>Lavandula x intermedia</i>	
<i>Spartium junceum</i> L.	<i>Lonicera japonica</i> Thunb.	
<i>Vinca</i>	<i>Medicago sativa</i> L.	
<i>Westringia fruticosa</i> (Willd.) Druce	<i>Metrosideros excelsa</i> Sol. ex Gaertn.	
<i>Westringia glabra</i> L.	<i>Myrtus communis</i> L.	
	<i>Olea europaea</i> L.	
	<i>Pelargonium graveolens</i> L'Hér	
	<i>Phagnalon saxatile</i> (L.) Cass.	
	<i>Prunus avium</i> (L.) L.	
	<i>Prunus cerasifera</i> Ehrh.	
	<i>Prunus domestica</i> L.	
	<i>Prunus cerasus</i> L.	
	<i>Quercus suber</i> L.	
	<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i> L.	
	<i>Rosa canina</i> L.	
	<i>Spartium junceum</i> L.	
	<i>Westringia fruticosa</i> (Willd.) Druce	