



TRADER NOTICE No. 1 of 2018

To: All registered importers of plant and plant produce (Third Countries)

Subject: Measures in respect of new Protected Zone for the leaf miner pest (*Liriomyza* species).

Having regard to Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plant or plant products and against their spread within the Community, **a new Protected Zone for the plant pests; *Liriomyza huidobrenis* (Blanchard) and *Liriomyza trifolii* (Burgess) will come into effect in Ireland from 01 May 2018.**

From 01 May 2018 consignments of plants and plant products imported from all third countries which are deemed high risk for these pests will be subject to full inspection upon arrival to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of these pests.

We encourage you to contact your suppliers to inform them of this change of status.

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.

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