

Import Requirements for Orchid Plants from California, Oregon and Washington

Please note that the following import requirements pertain only to the importation of orchid plants from California, Oregon and Washington, in the United States. Other phytosanitary requirements will apply to orchid plants from other origins and to other commodities from the states listed above.

All plants rooted in growing media that is approved under the Canadian Growing Media Program (CGMP) are subject to the requirements listed in regulatory directive D-96-20: *Canadian Growing Media Program, Prior Approval Process and Import Requirements for Plants Rooted in Approved Media*, which can be viewed at: <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/protect/dir/d-96-20e.shtml>

Depending on the species of the orchid plant, it may be subject to requirements of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). This program is administered by Environment Canada; orchid importers must contact Environment Canada to determine which plants are subject to these requirements. You can learn more about CITES at the following website: http://www.cites.ec.gc.ca/eng/sct0/index_e.cfm

Import requirements for woodchips and wood bark of the species *Sequoia* (Sequoia) and *Pseudotsuga* (Douglas fir)

*Please note that the following import requirements pertain only to the importation of woodchips and wood bark from the species *Sequoia* (Sequoia) and *Pseudotsuga* (Douglas fir) from the states of California, Oregon and Washington. Other phytosanitary requirements will apply to other types of wood products from other origins and to other species of woodchips and wood bark from the states listed above.*

From California and Oregon

An Import Permit is not required
A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- A Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- For wood products regulated for Sudden Oak Death, which originate from infested counties of California and from Curry County, Oregon, the Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
“Wood has undergone heat treatment to achieve a minimum core temperature of 56 degrees Celsius for a minimum time period of 30 minutes and has a moisture content not exceeding 20%.”
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must specify the treatment carried out.

From Washington

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- A Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.

Import Requirements for in-vitro (flasks) orchid plants from California, Oregon and Washington

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- A Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- Plantlets must originate from mother plants which are free of any plant pathogens regulated by Canada.
- Plantlets must be propagated in-vitro in a sterile medium under sterile conditions that preclude the possibility of infestation with any pests of quarantine concern to Canada.
- Plantlets must be produced and shipped in sealed, aseptic, transparent containers. **If the seal has been broken before the shipment enters Canada, the shipment will be prohibited.**
- In-vitro (flasks) orchids are exempt from Additional Declarations for soil pests.

Orchids from California and Oregon

1. Rooted plants for resale (commercial vendors)

Without soil, related matter or growing media (bareroot):

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration: "The plants in this consignment are free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter."

- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."
- The material must be certified free from European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear the following Additional Declaration:
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."

With soil or related matter not approved under the CGMP (bareroot):

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."
- The material must be certified free from European Brown Garden Snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear the following Additional Declaration:
"The rooted plants in this consignment originate from an approved snail-free nursery, greenhouse or holding area, and were inspected and found to be free of European brown garden snail (Helix aspersa/Cornu aspersum)."
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:

"This shipment conforms to 7 CFR 301.92 which regulates the movement of nursery stock for Phytophthora ramorum from the States of California, Oregon, and Washington."

or

"The soil originated in a production site in which, on the basis of official surveys, Phytophthora ramorum is not known to occur."

2. Orchid plants for personal use and not for resale – accompanying importer at time of entry into Canada

An Import Permit is not required

- Houseplant must be for personal and non-commercial use only (total number of plants must not exceed 50 houseplants). Houseplant must accompany the importer at the time of entry into Canada in baggage or as part of household effects.
- Please note that the import requirements for houseplants are currently under revision and are expected to change within the next year.

Without soil, related matter or growing media (bareroot):

- A Phytosanitary Certificate is required to accompany the consignment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration: "The plants in this consignment are free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter."

With soil or related matter not approved under the CGMP:

- A Phytosanitary Certificate is required to accompany the consignment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration: "This shipment conforms to 7 CFR 301.92 which regulates the movement of nursery stock for Phytophthora ramorum from the States of California, Oregon, and Washington."

3. Orchid plants for personal use and not for resale – not accompanying importer at time of entry into Canada

Without soil, related matter or growing media (bareroot):

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The material must be free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter.
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must include the following Additional Declaration: "The plants in this consignment are free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter."
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."
- The material must be certified free from European Brown Garden Snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear the following Additional Declaration: "Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."

With soil or related matter not approved under the CGMP:

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
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or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."

- The material must be certified free from European Brown Garden Snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Helix aspersa does not occur."
or
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
"This shipment conforms to 7 CFR 301.92 which regulates the movement of nursery stock for Phytophthora ramorum from the States of California, Oregon, and Washington."

Orchids from Washington

1. Rooted plants for resale (commercial vendors)

Without soil, related matter or growing media (bareroot):

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
"The plants in this consignment are free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter."
- The material must be certified free from European Brown Garden Snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear the following Additional Declaration:
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or

"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."

With soil or related matter not approved under the CGMP:

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Helix aspersa does not occur."
or
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
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- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
"This shipment conforms to 7 CFR 301.92 which regulates the movement of nursery stock for Phytophthora ramorum from the States of California, Oregon, and Washington."
or
"The soil originated in a production site in which, on the basis of official surveys, Phytophthora ramorum is not known to occur."

2. Orchid plants for personal use and not for resale – accompanying importer at time of entry into Canada

With or without soil:

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- Houseplant must be for personal and non-commercial use only (total number of plants must not exceed 50 houseplants). Houseplant must accompany the importer at the time of entry into Canada in baggage or as part of household effects.

3. **Orchid plants for personal use and not for resale – not accompanying importer at time of entry into Canada**

Without soil, related matter or growing media (bareroot):

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin
- The material must be free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter.
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, Meloidogyne chitwoodi does not occur."
- The material must be certified free from European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear the following Additional Declaration:
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (HELIX ASPERSA)."
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
"The plants in this consignment are free of all growing media, soil and/or related matter."

With soil, related matter or growing media:

An Import Permit is not required

A Phytosanitary Certificate is required

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must accompany the shipment and must indicate the state of origin.
- The material must be certified free from Columbia Root Knot Nematode (MELOIDOGYNE CHITWOODI).

- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The material was produced and prepared for export in accordance with the conditions of entry specified in Quarantine Directive 82-01 of February 1, 1982."
or
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, *Meloidogyne chitwoodi* does not occur."
- The material must be certified free from European brown garden snail (*HELIX ASPERSA*).
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must bear one of the following Additional Declarations:
"The soil originated in an area in which, on the basis of official surveys, *Helix aspersa* does not occur."
or
"Material is free of European brown garden snail (*HELIX ASPERSA*)."
- The Phytosanitary Certificate must contain the following Additional Declaration:
"This shipment conforms to 7 CFR 301.92 which regulates the movement of nursery stock for *Phytophthora ramorum* from the States of California, Oregon, and Washington."