



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 901:5-35-02 Plant product inspection.

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As used in the rules adopted under Chapter 927. of the Revised Code:

(A) "Agricultural products and their conveyances inspection" means any requested inspection of plants or plant-based products, or their conveyances, conducted by the director or an agent thereof for the purpose of determining what, if any, pests are infesting or infecting the plants, plant-based products or their conveyances. The inspection includes, but is not limited to, periodic compliance agreement audits, growing season inspections of agronomic field, fruit, vegetable, greenhouse, and nursery crops and to fruit and vegetable commodity inspections upon which later certifications may be based. This category does not include inspections that immediately result in issuance of phytosanitary certificates, or the annual nursery inspections as described in sections 927.59 and 927.61 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Compliance agreement" means a written agreement between a person and the Ohio department of agriculture for the purpose of achieving the person's compliance with any set of requirements specified by the department of agriculture upon which certifications may be based and issued by the director. The term of a compliance agreement shall not exceed one year.

(C) "Phytosanitary certificate" means a document issued by the director or an agent thereof declaring a plant product free of harmful pests, and includes Ohio and United States phytosanitary certificates, processed product certificates, re-export phytosanitary certificates, and any re-issuance of such certificates necessitated by requestor error.

(D) "Person" means person as defined in division (J) of section 927.51 of the Revised Code.
