

The Bacterial Ring Rot Control Regulations

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Chapter P-7 Reg 4 (effective July 1, 1994) as amended by
Saskatchewan Regulations 10/2002 and 90/2009.

NOTE:

This consolidation is not official. Amendments have been incorporated for convenience of reference and the original statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the law. In order to preserve the integrity of the original statutes and regulations, errors that may have appeared are reproduced in this consolidation.

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CHAPTER P-7 REG 4

The Pest Control Act

Title

- 1 These regulations may be cited as *The Bacterial Ring Rot Control Regulations*.

Interpretation

- 2 In these regulations:

- (a) “**bacterial ring rot**” means the plant disease caused by the bacterium *Clavibacter michiganensis* ssp. *sepedonicus*, also known as *Corynebacterium sepedonicum*;
- (b) “**certified seed**” means seed potatoes that:
- (i) have been inspected in the field by an inspector of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and are of the Foundation class or any higher class of seed potatoes established and listed in section 47 of the *Seed Regulations*; or
- (ii) have been certified by a recognized certification agency in the United States and are of a certification class substantially the same as the Foundation class or any higher class of seed potatoes established and listed in section 47 of the *Seed Regulations*, specifically with respect to freedom from bacterial ring rot;
- (b.1) “**cull potatoes**” means potatoes:
- (i) that have been harvested and left outdoors; and
- (ii) that are unmarketable or have been discarded for other reasons;
- (c) “**grower**” means any person growing, packing or processing potatoes;
- (c.1) “**owner**” means any person who owns land on which potatoes are grown, packed or processed;
- (d) “**potatoes**” means potatoes grown for commercial sale;
- (e) “**provincial officer**” means an officer who is employed in the department and appointed by the minister for the purpose of enforcing these regulations;
- (f) “**Seed Regulations**” means the *Seed Regulations, Consolidated Regulations of Canada*, chapter 1400.

8 Feb 2002 SR 10/2002 s2; 16 Oct 2009
SR 90/2009 s3.

Pest declared

- 3 Bacterial ring rot is declared to be a pest for the purposes of *The Pest Control Act*.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s3.

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4 Every grower shall use only certified seed.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s4.

Records to be kept

5(1) In accordance with subsection (2), every grower shall:

(a) maintain accurate records of all plantings including:

(i) the date and location of plantings;

(ii) the weight and class of certified seed used;

(a.1) maintain accurate records of all cull potatoes including the location of cull potatoes that have been disposed of; and

(b) retain a copy of each bill of sale for the certified seed used in each planting.

(2) Every grower shall retain the records mentioned in clauses (1)(a) to (b) for at least one year after the expiration of the year in which the records were created.

8 Feb 2002 SR 10/2002 s4; 16 Oct 2009
SR 90/2009 s4.

Requirement to plant on land free of bacterial ring rot

6 No grower shall plant certified seed, or any other potato, on land that was infested with bacterial ring rot in the previous growing season.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s6; 8 Feb 2002 SR 10/2002
s5; 16 Oct 2009 SR 90/2009 s5.

Destruction of volunteer growth

7 Every person shall take measures to destroy any volunteer growth of potatoes on any land the person owns, occupies or controls that was infested with bacterial ring rot in the previous growing season.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s7.

Inspection of land and potatoes

8(1) For the purpose of ensuring compliance with these regulations, a provincial officer may, at any reasonable time, enter a grower's land, or an owner's land, to inspect the grower's land, or owner's land, and any potatoes on the grower's or owner's land, whether harvested or not.

(2) If a grower knows or suspects that the grower's land or potatoes, whether harvested or not, are infested with bacterial ring rot, the grower shall immediately notify a provincial officer.

(3) If an owner knows or suspects that the owner's land or any potatoes on the owner's land, whether harvested or not, are infested with bacterial ring rot, the owner shall immediately notify a provincial officer.

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(4) On receiving notification pursuant to subsection (2) or (3), or if the provincial officer reasonably believes that a grower's land, or an owner's land, or any potatoes on the grower's or owner's land are infested with bacterial ring rot, the provincial officer shall:

- (a) if no inspection has taken place, inspect the grower's land and potatoes, or the owner's land and any potatoes on the owner's land, whether harvested or not; and
- (b) take for analysis specimens of any potatoes or debris infested or suspected of being infested with bacterial ring rot.

(5) Following the analysis of any specimens taken pursuant to clause (4)(b), the provincial officer shall notify the grower and owner in writing of the results of the analysis.

16 Oct 2009 SR 90/2009 s6.

Requirements for disposal

9(1) A provincial officer may issue an order pursuant to section 19 of *The Pest Control Act* for the disposal of all potatoes that have tested positive for bacterial ring rot and all potatoes that have been or may have been in contact with those potatoes that have tested positive.

(2) Every order issued pursuant to subsection (1) that does not require the potatoes to be destroyed must require that the potatoes be treated in a manner ordered by the provincial officer to prevent sprout development.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s9; 8 Feb 2002 SR 10/2002 s7.

Requirements for cleanup

10 All storage locations used by a grower loading, processing, transporting and field equipment, and all packaging material shall be cleaned and disinfected in a manner ordered by a provincial officer pursuant to section 19 of *The Pest Control Act* where the locations, equipment and material have been used for the storage or production of potatoes that:

- (a) are infested with bacterial ring rot; or
- (b) have been or may have been in contact with potatoes that are infested with bacterial ring rot.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s10; 8 Feb 2002 SR 10/2002 s8.

Application

11 These regulations apply beginning with the 1995 crop year, commencing July 1, 1994.

8 Jly 94 cP-7 Reg 4 s11.

