

## THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

### The Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (Wales) Regulations 2020

#### The Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Demarcated Area 6) Notice

A plant health inspector appointed by the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of the Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (“the Regulations”) has confirmed the presence of *Phytophthora pluvialis* on premises in the counties of Monmouthshire, Newport, Torfaen, Powys, Blaenau Gwent, Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Cardiff, Caerphilly, Bridgend and Neath Port Talbot.

In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 17(2) of the Regulations, I give the following notice:

#### Citation

1. This notice may be cited as the Plant Health (**Phytophthora pluvialis**) (Wales) Notice, and
2. With effect from 21 April 2022, revokes and replaces the Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Demarcated Area 4) Notice made on 14 March 2022.

#### Demarcated area

3. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(a) of the Regulations, the area in the counties of Monmouthshire, Newport, Powys, Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent, Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Caerphilly, Bridgend, Neath and Port Talbot and Cardiff within the boundary described in Annex 1, and shown depicted on the map in Annex 2 on the Welsh Government website, is demarcated.

#### Restriction on felling susceptible material without prior notification

4. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(b) of the Regulations, a person must notify the Forestry Commission in advance in writing of their intention to fell any relevant susceptible material within the demarcated area.

#### Prohibition on the movement of susceptible material

5. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(b) of the Regulations, no person may move any relevant susceptible material out of or within the demarcated area specified in this notice, unless authorised in writing by a Plant Health inspector.

#### Relevant susceptible material

6. For the purposes of paragraphs 4 and 5 above, relevant susceptible material means;
  - (a) the following material that has originated within the demarcated area –

- i. any wood of the genus **Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus** other than in the form of wood packaging material or dunnage;
- ii. any isolated bark of the genus **Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus**
- iii. any trees of the genus **Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus** including felled or fallen trees, fruit, seeds, leaves or foliage.

(b) any plants for planting of the genus **Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus** that has originated or is residing within the demarcated area.

### **Commencement of prohibition**

- 7. The prohibition stipulated in this notice, applies on and after **21 April 2022** until further notice.

Signed



Ceri Witchard, Deputy Director for Land Nature and Forestry

The Welsh Government, **12 April 2022**

## ANNEX 1

### Description of the extent of the demarcated area

The boundary begins at SO335233 and follows the River Monnow northwards for 3km to SO327257 tracing the Wales/England border. From the undesignated road the boundary continues along the border travelling west, climbing up Hatterall Hill for 1.7km until the Wales/England border meets Offa's Dyke at SO311255.

From SO311255 the boundary follows the Offa's Dyke National Trail northwards along the Wales/England Border for 19km. The route is mainly along an upland ridge in the Black Mountains which rises to an altitude of 700m before travelling into Cusop and on to Hay-on-Wye. At SO233422 in Hay-on-Wye the boundary departs Offa's Dyke and joins the B4348.

At SO233422, the boundary follows the B4348 to Glasbury for 500m before joining the B4350 to Glasbury at SO227422. The boundary remains on the B4350 for 5.8km. At SO181392, Glasbury the boundary departs the B4350 and joins the A438 to Bronllys for 6km. At SO14634, Bronllys there is a roundabout, the boundary leaves the A438 and joins the A479 to Talgarth for 1.5km. At SO151335, Talgarth there is another roundabout, here the boundary departs the A479 and joins the B4560 for 5km towards Llangors. At SO131294 there is a crossroads, the boundary departs the B4560 following Heol Hemley for 2.3km to SO114284, Llanfihangel Tal-y-Llyn.

From SO114284, Llanfihangel Tal-y-Llyn the boundary follows an unclassified road west towards Groesfordd. At SO076274 there is a roundabout, the boundary departs the unclassified road and joins the A40 at a roundabout.

The boundary follows the A40 towards Brecon for 1.1km. At SO066277, Brynich Roundabout the boundary continues on the A40 bypass for another 4km heading to Llanfaes Roundabout. At SO031283 the boundary departs the A40 and joins the A470 southbound towards Merthyr Tydfil for 30km. At SO027077, Merthyr Tydfil there is a roundabout. At this point the boundary departs the A470 and joins the A465, Heads of the Valleys Road heading westbound to Neath for 34km passing through Hirwaun and Resolven along the way.

After passing Neath the boundary joins the M4 at Junction 43, Llandarcy Roundabout. From the roundabout the boundary follows the M4 eastbound for 92km passing Port Talbot, Bridgend Cardiff and Newport until it reaches Junction 23 at ST438879. Here the boundary follows the M48 for 12km, at the Old Severn Bridge the boundary stops following roads and traces the Wales/England northwards for approximately 72km until it reaches point SO335233.