

GENERALITAT DIRECCION GENERAL DE AGRICULTURA, GANADERIA Y PESCA

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Reference: Communication of the Resolution for Xylella fastidiosa

Dear Sir/Madam

By Resolution of the director general of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries of March 25, 2019, published in the DOGV 8515 (27.03.2019), declared the tenth update of the situation with Xylella fastidiosa (Wells et al.) in the Comunidad Valenciana, on vegetation located in the plots detailed in the Annex.

This highly contagious disease can affect many plant species and poses a great danger to our agricultural sector as a whole and to the environment. Currently no method is available to cure the diseased vegetation and their symptoms may go unnoticed in apparently healthy vegetation (see information on the page attached)

For this reason, as required by European Union legislation, the resolution establishes vegetation health measures for eradication and control, which are binding and enforceable. It is, to this day, the only valid option to fight the disease.

As the owner of the plot/s shown on the back of this paper, given that it/they are infected, or in a 100-metre radius of an infected tree, the plot affected by the measures set out in the resolution cited, it is required that you proceed with the uprooting, and destruction of the plant material which is host to the Xylella Fastidiosa subspecies multiplex on the plot/s indicated, as well as conduct insecticide treatments against the possible vectors of Xylella Fastidiosa and against the vegetation that is able to accommodate them, this is to proceed within 15 days of receipt of this notice.

You can check the list of host species of Xylella Fastidiosa multiplex at the following link:  
<http://www.agroambient.qva.es/es/web/agricultura/xylella-fastidiosa>

Although the main crop of your plot may be of a species that is not susceptible to the Xylella Fastidiosa multiplex subspecies (such as citrus, nispero, etc.), you should take into account that it is common to find isolated trees or spontaneous vegetation of species that are susceptible, which would imply carrying out the measures of eradication, specifically of these mentioned species.

As these are phytosanitary measures to combat extremely serious infections, their non-compliance could be classified as a very serious infringement under Article 560 of law 43/2002, on Plant Health, and could entail a penalty of between 120,001 euros and 3,000,000 euros (Art. 58.10 of law 43/2002).

After 15 days, in the event that such compulsory measures have not been adopted, the General Directorate for Agriculture, Livestock and fisheries may implement them directly.

In order to make it easier for you to comply with this obligation, the General Directorate for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries offers you the possibility of carrying out these measures for you free of charge.

In order to make use of this service, you must complete the authorization and consent forms attached to this letter and send them to The Plant Health Service either by email (xylella@gva.es), or by post (Apartado de correos no. 125, Silla 46460, València), within a period not exceeding 10 days from the day following the reception of this letter.

In the case that you wish to carry out the uprooting and destruction by your own means, one must inform the Plant Health Service in advance so that it can carry out the necessary checks.

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The plans for the plots concerned have been made available to the municipalities concerned, as well as the resolution which states each update of the Xylella situation, where you can consult the data concerning your plot.

The correct compliance with these measures in time (either by yourself, or by giving your written consent) is one of the requirements to be eligible for the compensatory/financial help provided by the Generalitat Valenciana.

[http: // www.gva.es/es/inicio/procedimientos?id\\_proc=18932&version=amp](http://www.gva.es/es/inicio/procedimientos?id_proc=18932&version=amp)

This communication shall be deemed to be a preliminary warning in accordance with Art. 99 of law 39/2015, of 1 October of the common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations.

Silla, Monday, July 01, 2019

Vicente Dalmau Sorli