MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & COMMERCE BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY P.O. BOX 5207, MISSISSIPPI STATE, MISSISSIPPI 39762

NURSERY DEALERS

Any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or company other than a nurseryman who buys or collects nursery stock for the purpose of reselling or reshipping or otherwise dealing in nursery stock on a seasonal basis (usually three or four months each season), independently of the control of any nurseryman or nursery — e.g., chain stores, department stores, grocery stores, etc. shall be classed as a nursery dealer. A list of all nurseries from which a dealer will buy stock during the ensuing shipping season must be filed with the State Entomologist. The nursery season begins July 1 each year and ends June 30 the following year. A new agreement form must be filed with the State Entomologist on or before July 1, each year.

SUGGESTIONS TO NURSERY DEALERS FOR HANDLING ROSEBUSHES, BULBS, POTTED PLANTS OR OTHER NURSERY STOCK SO THE PLANTS WILL BE MAINTAINED IN GOOD CONDITION AND INSURE YOUR CUSTOMER OF OBTAINING VIGOROUS NURSERY STOCK.

- 1. Keep the balls of all balled and burlapped nursery stock a well drained area and covered by some wettable material such as sawdust. This material and the balls should be kept moist to prevent the roots and subsequently the tops of the plants from drying and deep enough around the roots to prevent freezing. The plant is no good when the roots and top dries and it should be discarded.
- 2. Plants which are dug barerooted should be wrapped immediately after digging, being certain to use enough moist packing material to maintain moisture around the roots until the plants are set out or heeled-in. When holding such plants for sale, they should be heeled-in either with sawdust or moist soil in a well drained area sufficiently deep to prevent the roots from freezing. If allowed to dry out or freeze, the plants will die.
- 3. Rosebushes with green wax should not be handled.
- 4. Dead or dried out canes on rosebushes should be kept pruned off at frequent intervals or the entire rosebush discarded. When rosebush canes become dry, the plants should not be sold.
- 5. Carefully inspect all bulbs at frequent intervals. Discard those showing any wet or dry rot conditions.
- 6. A Bureau District Entomologist will be calling on you during the selling season to examine your plants for injurious insect pest and plant diseases. We will be glad to answer questions and advise you in regard to the care and handling of your nursery stock.

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AGREEMENT FOR MISSISSIPPI NURSERY DEALER

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

Name of Nursery Dealer - If a store, include store no. also

located at					
Street	Town	County		State	ZIP Code
Mailing Address (if not same) _ Telephone Number	Email (required)				
	plants, shrubs, and trees for the s	eason 20	20	_ from t	the

Name Of Nursery Or Greenhouse

Address Of Nursery Or Greenhouse

We agree to supply the Bureau of Plant Industry, Mississippi State, Mississippi, with the names of other nursery firms not shown before purchasing nursery stock from them. We also agree that we will purchase the plants we sell from certified Mississippi nurseries, or from nurseries certified to sell in Mississippi. We further agree to report to the Bureau any infested or infected plants which might be sold to us.

We understand that if we handle uncertified stock, that such stock will be subject to confiscation and we will be denied the privilege of operating as a nursery dealer.

PRIMARY CONTACT PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

Email completed form to Nurseryprograms@mdac.ms.gov