



*Inspection based on identity, health
and quality of propagating material*

As a breeder, propagator or grower, you want your propagating material to comply with the legal standards. Naktuinbouw monitors and promotes the quality of propagating material.

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Naktuinbouw's inspectors are active in the vegetable, floriculture and arboriculture sectors.

Naktuinbouw is an independent organisation that performs inspections in accordance with

Dutch and European legislation. Each Dutch company that wants to market and trade is

under the obligation to have its material inspected by Naktuinbouw.



Growing in the Netherlands

If you intend to trade propagating material of your crops you must register with Naktuinbouw. This registration obligation is based on the Seeds and Planting Materials Act or the Dutch Plant Diseases Act. The companies registered with Naktuinbouw are breeders, propagators, processing companies, and producers and traders of propagating material. The inspectors monitor the companies by performing

random inspections, whereby attention is paid to the varietal purity, varietal trueness, health and quality of the propagating material. The inspector may take samples of the material for diagnostic or laboratory testing. A plant passport may be required for trade within the EU. The traceability of the material is also very important. The material must be accompanied by a supplier's document.



Extra quality standards

If your propagating material, or laboratory, complies with higher quality or health standards they can be considered eligible for certification under a quality-plus system. The certificate confirms that your material or laboratory has been assessed, audited and complies with higher standards. Extra stringent inspections will be performed during which – in addition to quality and health – other aspects such as hygiene and administrative records will be inspected. Participation in these systems is voluntary. The systems were established in collaboration with the participants.

Import

Our inspectors inspect propagating material that originates from countries outside Europe (import). During the import inspections, the inspector checks if the propagating material meets EU standards. If all the requirements are met, you can trade the material freely within the EU. For export shipments an inspector of the Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (NVWA) will check if the material complies with the standards required by the recipient country.

Each country has its own standards that propagating material or seeds must comply with. If the material meets the standards, the inspector of the NVWA will issue a phytosanitary certificate which the company can use to export the material.



Select Plant naktuinbouw

Naktuinbouw Select Plant is a certificate granted to tested lots of propagating material that comply with extra quality standards. The certificate confirms the higher quality level of your products, or their traceability in the entire production chain. This can apply to an entire lot, or in other cases to individual plants.



Elite naktuinbouw

The Naktuinbouw Elite certificate offers a guarantee for good growth and disease-free crops, which will give you increased production and higher profits. Participants operate a quality assurance system that safeguards the propagation process. This means that Naktuinbouw Elite certified material represents added value in every respect for both propagators and buyers.



NAL naktuinbouw

Naktuinbouw Authorized Laboratories (NAL) is a system that authorizes company laboratories to perform seed quality testing. The system ensures that the laboratories of seed companies offer and maintain the required levels of reliability.



ASLN naktuinbouw

Authorized Service Laboratories Naktuinbouw (ASLN) is an authorization system for service laboratories performing tests in samples of soil, (parts of) plant material and/or seeds.

NAFI naktuinbouw

Naktuinbouw Authorized Field Inspections (NAFI) is a system that authorizes seed companies aimed at monitoring the seed production. It focuses on meeting requirements concerning identity, quality and health.

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