



Welcome to this shorter update on *Xylella fastidiosa* to help keep your business aware of the latest changes in plant health.

If you have questions, please speak to your local inspector.

Kind regards,

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### *Xylella fastidiosa* - what's new?

As mentioned in previous updates, *X. fastidiosa* subspecies *multiplex* occurs in France and *X. fastidiosa* subspecies *pauca* occurs in Italy. In November 2015, Member States of the EU voted and passed a requirement that movements of all 'host plants' across the EU must be accompanied by a plant passport, down to the retail sale stage. There are six additions to the EU Commission 'host' list for *X. fastidiosa* that require a plant passport:



Example of *X. fastidiosa* on Cherry

- *Calicotome villosa*
- *Cytisus scoparius*
- *Genista corsica*
- *Helichrysum italicum*
- *Lavandula x allardii*
- *Metrosideros excelsa*.

The full list is below. It will change over time as new hosts are confirmed and added to the Commission's database.

### Details of the new measures against *X. fastidiosa*

To help industry understand the implications, we have produced a plant health guidance document '*X. fastidiosa* implications for importers and users of trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants' which you can see on [GOV.UK](http://gov.uk), along with list of hosts, information on demarcated (infected areas) with maps and consolidated list used for applying for authorisation to issue plant passports for hosts of *X. fastidiosa*.

Details on the disease are available in the [Defra fact sheet on \*X. fastidiosa\*](#).

The [Forestry Commission](#) and the [European Commission](#) websites are also helpful sources of further information.

## List of 'host plants'

The UK Plant Health Services include *X. fastidiosa* in their surveillance programmes of plants imported from outside the EU, those being moved within the EU and those being grown in the wider environment. Those in the industry are also urged to remain vigilant and to source material carefully. Details of demarcated areas and maps can be seen on [GOV.UK](http://GOV.UK).

### ***Xylella fastidiosa* subsp. multiplex**

*Acer pseudoplatanus*  
*Artemisia arborescens*  
*Asparagus acutifolius*  
*Calicotome villosa*  
*Cistus monspeliensis*  
*Cistus salviifolius*  
*Coronilla valentina*  
*Cytisus scoparius*  
*Genista corsica*  
*Genista x spachiana* (syn. *Cytisus racemosus*)  
*Genista ephedroides*  
*Hebe species*  
*Helichrysum italicum*  
*Lavandula x allardii*  
*Lavandula angustifolia*  
*Lavandula dentata*  
*Lavandula stoechas*  
*Metrosideros excelsa*  
*Myrtus communis*  
*Pelargonium graveolens*  
*Polygala myrtifolia*  
*Prunus cerasifera*  
*Quercus suber*  
*Rosa floribunda*  
*Rosmarinus officinalis*  
*Spartium junceum*

### **Host plants found to be susceptible to several subspecies of *Xylella fastidiosa***

*Coffea species*

## Next steps

- Please talk to your local Plant Health inspector about *X. fastidiosa* and if any changes are needed to your plant passport authorisation
- Check the genera you grow to see if they are in the above list
- Familiarise yourself with *X. fastidiosa*, use the fact sheet as a guide to check your plants for symptoms and notify your local Plant Health Inspector if you suspect the disease.

## Invoicing

APHA apologises for the delay in our invoicing process, which has been caused

### ***Xylella fastidiosa* subsp. pauca**

*Acacia saligna*  
*Asparagus acutifolius*  
*Catharanthus species*  
*Cistus creticus*  
*Dodonaea viscosa*  
*Euphorbia terracina*  
*Grevillea juniperina*  
*Laurus nobilis*  
*Lavandula angustifolia*  
*Myoporum insulare*  
*Myrtus communis*  
*Nerium oleander*  
*Olea europaea*  
*Polygala myrtifolia*  
*Prunus avium*  
*Prunus dulcis*  
*Rhamnus alaternus*  
*Rosmarinus officinalis*  
*Spartium junceum*  
*Vinca species*  
*Westringia fruticosa*  
*Westringia glabra*

by IT issues linked to a new internal system. We expect invoicing to recommence soon. We will ensure that Shared Services Connect Ltd, our credit collection agency, is fully briefed on this and any impact it may have on you, our customers. We will be in touch again just before invoices are issued. Thank you for your patience.

#### More information

There is more information on *X. fastidiosa* and other pests and diseases at the following sources:

- [Defra Plant Health risk register](#)
- [European Plant Protection Organisation \(EPPO\)](#)
- [EPPO photos](#)
- [Forestry Commission](#)
- [Defra fact sheet on \*X. fastidiosa\*](#)



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