



**NIGERIA AGRICULTURAL QUARANTINE SERVICE
(NAQS)**

PLANT QUARANTINE DEPARTMENT

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**GUIDELINES FOR THE EXPORTATION OF
PLANT PRODUCTS FROM NIGERIA**

1. Importing countries of the world need phytosanitary certificate to accompany Nigeria plant export. Request forms for certifications are also available at the designated agricultural quarantine offices listed in our contacts page.
2. A phytosanitary certificate contains statements to the effect that quarantine inspection has been carried out by the accredited officers of the NAQS and the consignment of plants/plant products is pest-free at the time of examination.
3. It also states whether or not any form of treatment has been carried out.
4. The request for phytosanitary inspection of plants consignments is done by prospective exporters through the completion of the appropriate forms well in advance and presentation of the consignment for inspection. This is mandatory in the interest of the exporter and the country.
5. A phytosanitary certificate issued after the payment of a token user fees by the client.
6. Only one phytosanitary certificate is issued to cover a consignment.
7. Plant materials exported from Nigeria which are not covered by phytosanitary certificate stand the risk of being rejected or destroyed on arrival at the importing country and this is usually at the expense of the exporter.
8. Application forms for plant import permits are available on demand at designated quarantine offices at Ibadan, Ikeja, Kano, Port-Harcourt, Maiduguri and Abuja.