

**Voluntary Report** – Voluntary - Public Distribution

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**Report Name:** Morocco Bans Ornamental Plant Imports from Xylella  
Fastidiosa-Infested Countries

**Country:** Morocco

**Post:** Rabat

**Report Category:** FAIRS Subject Report, Planting Seeds, Sanitary/Phytopsanitary/Food Safety

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**Report Highlights:**

This report includes the unofficial translation of a notice to importers issued by the Moroccan food safety authority (ONSSA) regarding the suspension of the import of ornamental plants and parts of plants from countries infested with *Xylella fastidiosa*. At present, the measure is being applied across various commodities, countries of origin, and Moroccan ports through the issuance of import permits.

**Kingdom of Morocco National Food Safety Office (ONSSA)**

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## **Notice**

**Subject:** Importation of ornamental plants and parts of plants from countries infested with the bacterium *Xylella fastidiosa*.

Considering:

- The evolution of outbreaks of the bacterium *Xylella fastidiosa* in several countries infested by this bacterium,
- The continuous increase in the number of host plants for *Xylella fastidiosa*, in this case ornamental plants,
- The risk of transmission of *Xylella fastidiosa* by insect vectors associated with host plants of this bacterium,
- The risk of introduction of this bacterium on the national territory,
- The entities and operators concerned are informed that the importation of ornamental plants and parts of plants from countries infested by *Xylella fastidiosa* is temporarily suspended.

**Signed and stamped by Mr. Janati Abdellah**

**General Director of ONSSA**

**Attachments:**

No Attachments.