

***Norwegian rules that apply for import of forest reproductive material (FRM) – including reproductive material for Christmas tree production.***

The import of FRM to Norway is regulated by the regulation on the use for forest seeds and plants from 1996 which is pursuant to the Forestry Act. The aim of the regulation is to assure that the seeds and plants which are used are climatically adapted to the planting site and that the genetic diversity in the forest is maintained. The regulation is harmonized with the OECD scheme and we follow the same categories on basic material.

In Norway, only FRM which is approved by the national designated authorities can be traded.

**The person or company who import FRM to Norway must apply for approval of the material thru the Control committee for seed supply to forestry by filling in the form below and returning it to [mari.mette.tollefsrud@nibio.no](mailto:mari.mette.tollefsrud@nibio.no).**

The producer or the deliverer of the FRM must obtain the documentation for point a-l. The importer fills in the rest.

Use one form per material.

Applicant/importer, name and address of company.	
a) Producer and deliverer of the FRM, name and address of company.	
b) Species/subspecies.	
c) Area of collection/provenance/seed orchard Specify also the latitude, longitude and m.a.s., where the material was collected.	
d) Origin (autochthonous, non-autochthonous, unknown).	
e) Categories of FRM according the OECD rules (source-identified, selected, qualified or tested).	
f) National unit number.	
g) Plants or seeds?	
h) If seeds, specify the ripening year and the seed quality.	
i) If plants, specify the age of the plants and if they are containerised or bare root seedlings.	
j) If plants, are they vegetatively propagated or are they grown from seeds?	

k) Pesticides or other treatments used.	
l) For all species used in forestry an OECD certificate should follow the material. For species used for Christmas tree production that export countries does not issue OECS certificate for, the importer must obtain the information requested above from the deliverer/producer of the material.	Mark here that an OECD certificate (or equivalent) is attached to the application.  Or specify if the material will be used for Christmas tree production.
m) Number of plants or amount of seeds.	
n) The geographical region/region of provenance the material will be used in Norway. In <i>Norwegian: Bruksområde (sankeområde og høgdslag, ev. kommune og høgdslag hvor materiale søkes brukt).</i>	

When importing FRM, an OECD certificate, or a certificate equivalent to an OECD certificate must follow the FRM. For species used for Christmas tree production that export countries does not issue OECS certificate for, the importer must obtain the information requested above (point a-l) from the deliverer/producer of the material.

If plants are imported, the person or company importing the plants must register the plants to the Norwegian Food Safety Authority and submit a phytosanitary certificate.