



GUIDELINES FOR EXPORT OF CANNABIS SATIVA L. (HEMP) PROPAGATING MATERIAL WITH A DELTA-9-THC CONTENT \leq 2% IN TERMS OF THE PLANT IMPROVEMENT ACT 2018, (ACT NO. 11 OF 2018)

1. Any person intending to export plants or propagating material of crops declared in terms of PIA, 2018 must have a certificate of registration in respect of business and premises where the plants and/or propagating material was prepared for export.
2. All plants and propagating material intended for export must comply with prescribed minimum requirements in terms of the Act.
3. All hemp plants and/or propagating material must be varieties that are registered on the National Varietal List of Seed Crops or if not registered, authorised varieties/breeding lines with the relevant authorizations from the Registrar: Plant Improvement Act.
4. The exporter may only apply for authorisation to export germplasm or varieties with a delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) content that is not more than 2% in the plants from which the propagating material was obtained.
5. The applicant for export must firstly obtain an import permit from his client in the country he wants to export to, prior to applying for the required phytosanitary and export certificates.
6. The exporter must ensure all consignments leaving his/her premises, are accompanied by the following documentation:
 - a. registration of business/premises in terms of PIA
 - b. copy of hemp cultivation/research permit of the person applying for export
 - c. copy of analytical report(s) relating to the consignment
 - d. detailed invoice and/or packing list
 - e. transport declaration
 - f. phytosanitary certificate





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7. A copy of an analytical report must accompany the application for export as well as the consignment when it leaves the country. Note that the analytical report must have been issued by a competent accredited or registered laboratory.
8. Detailed records must be kept of all activities conducted with imported hemp material, and records must be available for inspection by the authorized inspectors and the Registrar: Plant Improvement Act upon request.
9. Authorised inspectors will inspect all consignments for compliance prior to leaving the Republic and may take such samples as deemed necessary for testing, examination and analyses as required.
10. The export will be authorised if the consignment is found to be compliant with the requirements as detailed above, and in conjunction with compliance with all other relevant legislations pertaining to the consignment concerned.



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