

**Control of Plants Act  
(CHAPTER 57A)**

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## **CONTROL OF PLANTS ACT**

### **(CHAPTER 57A)**

**(Original Enactment: Act 18 of 1993)**

**REVISED EDITION 2000**

**(30th December 2000)**

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to the cultivation, import, transshipment and export of plants and plant products, the protection of plants and plant products against pests and diseases, the control of the introduction of pests into Singapore, the use of pesticides, the measures pertaining to the development and improvement of the plant industry in Singapore and for purposes connected therewith.

[18th February 1994]

### **PART I**

### **PRELIMINARY**

#### **Short title**

- 1.** This Act may be cited as the Control of Plants Act.

## Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“authorised analyst” means any person appointed by the Director-General as an authorised analyst under section 3(3);

“authorised officer” means any person appointed by the Director-General as an authorised officer under section 3(2);

“Authority” means the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority established under section 3 of the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority Act 2000 (Act 16 of 2000);

“certified pesticide operator” means a person who is certified as a pesticide operator under section 12;

“conveyance” includes any aircraft, vessel, train, vehicle or any other artificial contrivance, whether mechanically propelled or otherwise used or capable of being used as a means of transport on land, water or air;

“Director-General” means the Director-General, Agri-food and Veterinary Services appointed under section 3(1) of the Animals and Birds Act (Cap. 7);

“diseased” means attacked by or infected with any pest;

“fresh fruits and vegetables” means unprocessed and raw fruits and vegetables which are intended for human consumption;

“import”, with its grammatical variations and cognate expressions, means to bring or cause to be brought into Singapore by land, sea or air from any place which is outside Singapore but does not include the bringing into Singapore by land, sea or air (whether landed or transhipped in Singapore) for the sole purpose of being carried to any other country either by the same or another conveyance;

“label” includes any written, printed, pictorial or other descriptive matter;

“land” includes —

- (a) the surface of the earth and all substances forming the surface;
- (b) the earth below the surface and all substances therein;
- (c) all vegetation and other natural products whether or not requiring the periodical application of labour for their production and whether on or below the surface;
- (d) all things attached to the earth, or permanently fastened to any thing