

FOEN - Forest reproductive material

1. General

1.1 The issue at hand

To ensure that Swiss forests remain healthy and adaptable, it is important that only seeds and plants (reproductive material) suited to the location be used. Anyone who imports forest reproductive material in excess of the tolerance limit requires an authorisation from the [FOEN](#).

1.2 Basis and information

- Ordinance on Forest Reproductive Material ([SR 921.552.1](#))
- [List](#) of forest trees whose reproductive material is subject to an authorisation obligation

1.3 Reference in Tares

Tariff items that are relevant under forest health law contain the note "Authorisation obligation: FOEN-FRM".

1.4 Terminology

Reproductive material	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Seeds (cones, infructescences, fruits and seeds intended for planting)- Parts of plants (cuttings, hardwood cuttings, shoots, roots and grafts, as well as other plant tissue intended for planting)- Planting material (plants grown from seed or parts of plants, sets and wildlings)
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2. Information in the customs/goods declaration

Anyone importing forest reproductive material must provide an indication in the goods declaration regarding the restriction obligation and enter the FOEN authorisation.

Identification Regulation	Passar: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Regulation 1 (yes)- Regulation code 420 "FOEN - Forest reproductive material"
	e-dec: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Authorisation obligation "yes"- Authorising authority "FOEN-FRM"
Additional information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Authorisation number- Authorisation holder¹- Authorisation item number¹- Quantity to be depreciated, unit¹- Quantity to be depreciated, number²- Goods specification - botanical name²- Country of origin²

3. Further information

Tolerance limit

An authorisation is required to import planting material only in the case of 200 trees or more. There are no allowances for importing seeds - an authorisation is required in all cases.

¹ Only for declarations in the Passar system

² Declaration in the Passar system: additional Information / Declaration in e-dec: Description of Goods