This additional certificate must be given for all potatoes :—

It is further certified that no case of the disease known as "wart disease" or "black scab" of potatoes (*Synchytrium endobioticum*) has occurred at any time on the farm or holding where the potatoes included in the consignment were grown, nor within two kilometres thereof.

(Signed) .....
(Official status) .....
(Date) .....

Number and description of packages .....
Distinguishing marks .....
Description of contents .....
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Stated to be grown at .....
Exported by .....
Name and address of consignee .....
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Name of vessel .....
Date of shipment .....
Port of landing in England or Wales .....

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Importation of Forest Trees (Prohibition) Order, 1952, restricts the importation from abroad of certain forest trees with a view to preventing the introduction of diseases and pests and the present Order makes consequential amendments in the certificate of health which accompanies living plants landed in England or Wales from abroad.

1952 No. 1920

The Red Core Disease of Strawberry Plants Order, 1952

Made - - - -	*30th October*, 1952
Laid before Parliament	*4th November*, 1952
Coming into Operation	*10th November*, 1952

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Section 2 of the Destructive Insects Act, 1877(a), as amended by Section 1 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1907(b), and Section 1 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1927(c), respectively, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order :—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Red Core Disease of Strawberry Plants Order, 1952, and shall come into operation on the tenth day of November, 1952.

(a) 40 & 41 Vict. c. 68. (b) 7 Edw. 7. c. 4. (c) 17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. 32.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

" authorised officer " means an officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries authorised by the Minister for the purposes of this Order.

" Committee " means the County Agricultural Executive Committee established by the Minister under the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 71 of the Agriculture Act, 1947(**a**), for the County within which is situated the land in relation to which any action may be taken under this Order.

" Minister " means the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

" red core disease " means the disease of strawberry plants caused by the fungus *Phytophthora fragariae* (*Hickman*).

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Notice of Infection

3. The occupier or other person in charge of any land who knows or suspects that any strawberry plants growing on such land are infected with red core disease shall forthwith give to the Secretary of the Committee notice in writing of the infection or suspected infection.

Declaration of Infected Land

4.—(1) If it appears to the Committee that strawberry plants infected with red core disease are growing or have at any time been grown in any field, garden or allotment the Committee may by notice in writing served upon the occupier or other person in charge of the field, garden or allotment declare the whole or such part thereof as it shall deem appropriate to be infected land for the purposes of this Order.

(2) A notice served under paragraph (1) of this Article shall define by reference to a map or plan or otherwise the extent of the area declared to be infected land.

(3) A notice served under paragraph (1) of this Article may be withdrawn by the Committee by a notice in writing served upon the occupier or other person in charge of the land declared to be infected land.

Control of Infected Plants

5. No person shall

(*a*) sell or deliver to any other person, or

(*b*) plant or cause to be planted on any land other than land declared in a notice served under paragraph (1) of Article 4 of this Order to be infected land for the purposes of this Order

any strawberry plant or strawberry plant runner which is known to be or is suspected of being infected with red core disease or which is known to have been or is suspected of having been grown on land declared in a notice served under paragraph (1) of Article 4 of this Order to be infected land for the purposes of this Order.

(a) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 48. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Powers of Entry

6. An authorised officer may for the purposes of this Order upon production if so required of his appointment or authority enter upon any land and examine any strawberry plants growing thereon and may take without payment samples of such plants or parts of such plants.

Licences

7. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Order any strawberry plants or strawberry plant runners may be delivered or planted for instructional or scientific purposes under and in accordance with the conditions of a licence issued by the Minister.

Service of Notices

8. For the purposes of this Order a notice shall be deemed to be served on any person if it is delivered to him personally or left for him at his last known place of abode or business or sent through the post in a letter addressed to him there.

Offences

9. Any person who fails to comply with or who acts in contravention of this Order or of the terms or conditions of a licence issued thereunder or who wilfully obstructs an authorised officer in the exercise of his powers under this Order shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds or, in respect of a second or subsequent offence, to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this thirtieth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

(L.S.) *Tom Dugdale,*
Minister.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order is intended to prevent the further spread of red core disease, a fungus disease harmful to strawberry plants. Growers whose plants are infected are required to notify their County Agricultural Executive Committee of the fact and the Committee may serve a notice declaring the whole or part of a field, garden or allotment to be infected land. Infected plants, or plants which have been grown on infected land, may not be sold, nor may they be planted except on land already infected. Officers appointed by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries may inspect and take samples of growing strawberry plants; infected plants may be grown or delivered for certain limited purposes under a licence from the Minister. Penalties are provided for breaches of the Order.