

THE FORESTRY COMMISSION
The Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms)
(England) Regulations 2019

The Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Demarcated Area No. 17)
Notice

A plant health inspector appointed by the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of the Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (Wales) Regulations 2020 has confirmed the presence of *Phytophthora pluvialis* on premises in the Welsh county of Powys, bordering the county of Herefordshire.

Upon notification from the competent authority of Wales, the Forestry Commissioners in England, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 17 (2A)-(2C) of the Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (England) Regulations 2019 ("the Regulations"), give the following notice:

Citation

1. This notice –
 - a) may be cited as the Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Demarcated Area No.17) Notice; and
 - b) with effect from midday on 24 January 2023, revokes and replaces the Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Demarcated Area No.9) Notice made at 07:50 on 25 February 2022.

Demarcated area

2. Pursuant to regulation 17(2B) of the Regulations, the area in the county of Herefordshire within the boundary described in Annex 1, and shown depicted on the map in Annex 2, is demarcated.

Prohibition on the movement of susceptible material

3. Pursuant to regulation 17(2C) of the Regulations, no person may move any relevant susceptible material out of or within the demarcated area specified in this notice, unless authorised in writing by an inspector.

Relevant susceptible material

4. For the purposes of paragraph 3 above, relevant susceptible material means any plants for planting of the genus *Tsuga*, *Pseudotsuga*, *Pinus* and *Notholithocarpus* that has originated or is residing within the demarcated area.

Commencement of prohibition

5. The measures stipulated in this notice, apply on and after midday on 24 January 2023 until further notice.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Barker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Richard Barker
Secretary to the Forestry Commissioners, 17 January 2023

ANNEX 1

Description of the extent of the demarcated area

The boundary begins at SO233422, Hay-on-Wye on the B4348. It follows the B4348 eastbound for 3.5km to SO263439 at Hardwicke. At the 'T' junction the boundary continues on the B4348 heading towards Dorstone for 6.3km.

At SO316419 the boundary crosses a bridge over a tributary of the River Dore while continuing on the B4348. In 230m after the bridge the boundary follows a sharp right turn at SO317421 before following the B4348 in a south-easterly direction to Peterchurch for 5.1km.

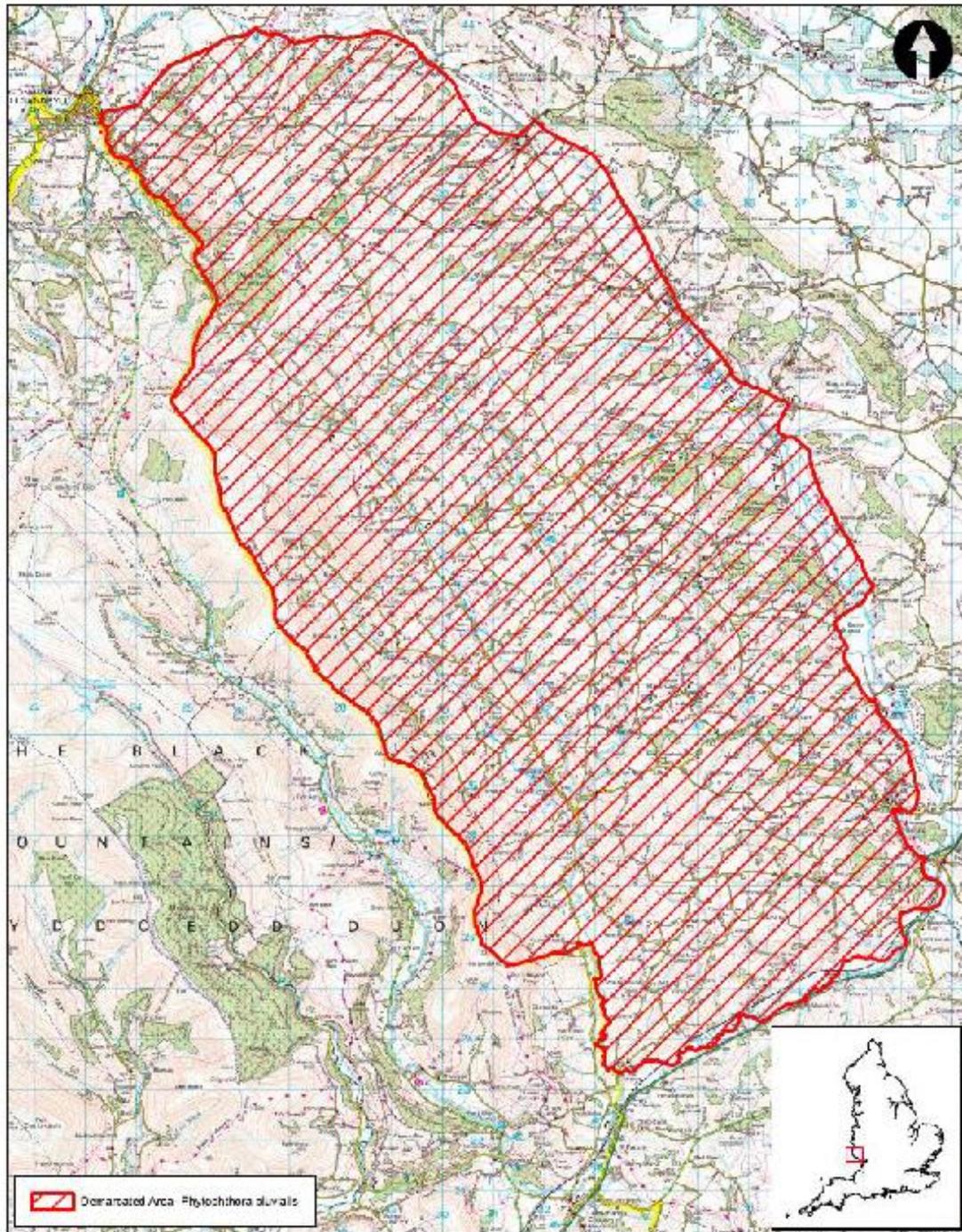
The boundary reaches a crossroads after Peterchurch at SO347382 and continues on the B4348 for another 2.7km passing Vowchurch. At SO367365 the boundary departs from the B4348 and joins the B4347 travelling southbound to Abbey Dore. The boundary continues on the B4347 for 4.7km crossing a bridge over the River Dore at SO381325. After the bridge it follows the B4347 southbound for another 6.3km passing through Abbey Dore then through Ewyas Harold onto Pontrilas.

At SO394275, Pontrilas the boundary leaves the B4347 and joins the A465 head west to Abergavenny for 1.4km at the end of an 'S' bend the boundary departs and follows the Wales/England border at SO395265.

The Demarcated Area boundary then traces the Wales/England border on a south-westerly trajectory roughly following the River Monnow for 8km to SO335233. There is a confluence of the River Monnow at SO335233 at this point the boundary follows the English Welsh border northwards for 3km to SO327257. From the undesignated road the boundary continues along the border travelling west climbing up Hatterrall Hill for 1.7km until the Wales/England border meets Offa's Dyke at SO311255.

From SO311255 the boundary follows the Offa's Dyke National Trail northwards along the Wales/England Border for 19km. The route is mainly along an upland ridge in the Black Mountains which rises to an altitude of 700m before travelling into Cusop and on to Hay-on-Wye. At SO233422 in Hay-on-Wye the boundary departs Offa's Dyke and joins the B4348 which it follows before returning to SO233422.

ANNEX 2 - Map of demarcated area



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