



Pome Fruit Quality-plus System



Producers of propagating material appreciate being rewarded for all the extra care and attention they devote to their crops. The Naktuinbouw quality-plus systems allow them to demonstrate the added value or superior quality of their products. The system for fruit trees and fruit tree rootstocks is Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit.



Naktuinbouw Elite is a company and product certificate and applies to the entire company. Companies granted Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit certification operate a quality assurance system that safeguards the origin, propagation process, cultivation and hygiene. The propagating material originates from a source recognised by Naktuinbouw. This means that Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit certified material represents added value and certainty in every respect for propagators and buyers. The certificate provides an extra safeguard.



Elite certificate and certification label

The standards applied by Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit are stricter than the conditions of the statutory quality inspection. The stringent standards apply to operational management practice at the company and the quality and health of the propagating material.

Does a company comply with all the requirements? In that case, they can trade fruit trees and rootstocks accompanied by an Elite Pome Fruit certificate and marked with an Elite Pome Fruit certification label.

 2019	Ras: Malus domestica 'Golden Delicious Reinders'	Certificaat Aantal: 1	Plant Passport-PZ ERWIAM 4871
	Onderstam: M9 Reg.nummer: NL-123456789 Partijnummer: 1234567890	Categorie: Gecertificeerd	

Image: example of an Elite Pome Fruit certification label

An Elite Pome Fruit certification label is blue with orange at the end of the label. The Elite logo is displayed in the lower right corner. The EU certification label is completely blue. These differences make it easy to distinguish between both certification systems.

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Regulations

The basic principles of this quality-plus system are derived from EU directives governing fruit. These guidelines apply to the whole of the European Union. The standards and conditions that Elite participants must comply with are described in the regulations for Elite Pome Fruit certification.

Procedure

In order to participate in Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit, companies must first sign an agreement with Naktuinbouw. An audit performed every three years checks continued compliance with all the standards. Does a company comply with the standards and conditions? In that case, it may trade material within the framework of the Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit system. The company can also use the Elite logo for all products that fall under the Elite-system.

Fees

The Naktuinbouw board establishes our inspections fees each year. The fees are subsequently approved by the Minister of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV). The fees are charged based on the cost-maker cost-bearer principle. The fees for participation in Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit and the fees for inspections can be found in the List of Inspections Fees (pdf) on the website.

Do you have any questions?

Do you want to know more about the quality-plus system Naktuinbouw Elite Pome Fruit? Ask the Inspections Arboriculture Team or your inspector. Or look at our website. The contact details are on the front of this flyer.