



# RHP POTTING SOIL TRADE REGULATION

## Why is RHP Certification so important for plants growing on substrates?

In the modern world of gardening, it is becoming increasingly important to ensure that substrates for horticulture are certified for safety and quality. RHP certification helps to guarantee the safety of plants that are grown in substrates such as peat, coco coir or soil.

RHP stands for **“Regeling HandelsPotgronden”** (Potting Soil Trade Regulation). The Potting Soil Trade Regulation certifies substrates with the RHP certification. The RHP certification guarantees that the substrate meets the relevant quality requirements for, for example, water absorption, air content, pH and nutrients. It also provides more certainty that the substrate is clean and pure, and can be used safely without risks to the crop. The raw materials of RHP-certified substrates are examined beforehand for weed seeds, etc. Stringent tests are also carried out for heavy metals and pathogens dangerous to plant and man. Producers also work with respect for the environment.



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