

571—78.8(456A) Certificates of origin.

78.8(1) Shipments. Every shipment of ginseng to a location outside the state of Iowa by a grower, harvester or dealer shall be accompanied by a certificate of origin, or shipping certificate, that certifies that the ginseng was lawfully harvested.

a. The department will issue a certificate of origin for cultivated ginseng to a grower or dealer on a form provided by the department based upon the permit holder's compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

b. The department will issue a certificate of origin for wild or wild simulated ginseng to a harvester on a form provided by the department based upon the permit holder's compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

c. The certificate of origin for cultivated, wild simulated, and wild ginseng will be issued by the department's agent after the roots have been weighed and certified upon appointment.

78.8(2) Wild ginseng originating in another state.

a. No person may ship in or out of this state to or from another state or foreign country any ginseng that originates in another state or foreign country without a valid certificate of origin issued by that other state or foreign country.

b. If a resident dealer receives wild ginseng that originated in another state and if a certificate of origin issued by that state does not accompany the wild ginseng, the dealer shall return the wild ginseng to the sender immediately upon its receipt.

c. A dealer shall maintain a copy of the certificate of origin with the record of the transaction.

d. It shall be lawful for any person to have in possession any ginseng lawfully harvested or purchased outside Iowa and lawfully brought into the state so long as the person possesses a valid certificate of origin for the ginseng.

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