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Mandated Procedure Checklist for MD Boxwood Blight Compliance Agreement

- Know your sources and suppliers.
- Isolate all incoming host plants, on a cleanable surface, for 30 days and inspect weekly.
- Deliver new host plants directly to isolation areas or clean any common loading areas after deliveries.
- No fungicides or pruning in isolation areas during the 30 day waiting period.
- Separate all host plants by source.
- Avoid overhead and late-day watering.
- Prevent water runoff from one production area to another.
- All tools, equipment and surfaces must be disinfected between crop cycles.
- Use new potting medium and sterilized or new pots.
- Report suspect plants to MDA.
- Maintain complete host plant records for 12 months.
- Train appropriate staff on symptoms, sanitation, and compliance agreement.

These additional, nursery-suggested, procedures are **strongly** recommended, in order to minimize risk of contamination for your operation:

- All visiting vehicles will enter the nursery through controlled-access points.
- Vehicles will be inspected for plant debris and soil. Dirty vehicles will be denied access or sent for decontamination at the nursery's wash-down facility.
- Customers will only tour fields with a nursery-supplied guide, in a nursery-owned vehicle.
- Customers will not exit the tour vehicle to access any boxwood or other host plant block.