

## Book Review

**Ustinov, I.D., Movchan O.M., Kudina Zh.D. 1995. Karantin Roslin: 1 – Karantinni Szkidniki [Plant Quarantine: 1 – Quarantine Pests]. Iris, Kiev, 416 pp. ISBN 5-7707-8165-3. (In Ukrainian)**

This well illustrated handbook is addressed to quarantine inspectors who, at the border inspection of plants or plant derived goods, must quickly and properly identify the organisms with quarantine status. The book is also very useful for academic teachers as an excellent source of information for lectures but particularly for laboratory exercises.

Chapter 1 “Biological and organizational principles of plant quarantine: short theoretical overview” (p. 4-43) provides basic information on legal regulations of plant quarantine in Ukraine, explains several definitions and contains a list of quarantine organisms consisting three categories of pests: not present in Ukraine – 61 species, present but with limited distribution – 21, and potentially dangerous requiring monitoring – 83 species. Among 165 organisms are: 68 insects, 3 nematodes, 16 fungi, 16 viruses, 10 bacteria and 52 weeds.

Chapter 2 “Detailed information on quarantine pests (identification, inspection methods)” (p. 44-416) is arranged in several subchapters dealing with taxonomic groups: *Homoptera*, *Thysanoptera*, *Coleoptera*, *Lepidoptera*, *Diptera*. The text is arranged for self-learning; there are several technical questions and reader is expected to answer them.

This chapter contains descriptions of individual quarantine pests supported with drawings, tables identification keys and references. For this reason the book is more useful than other books on similar subject.

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