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Petition to Exempt a Specific Cultivar from Invasive Plant Law

**Complete this form and submit it to
Delaware Department of Agriculture Plant Industries Section
2320 South DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901
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CULTIVAR INFORMATION	
Requested cultivar to be assessed:	
Species:	
Date of request:	
REQUESTOR INFORMATION	
Name:	
Organization/Company:	
Address: City/State/Zip:	
Telephone:	
Email:	

**View complete list of invasive plants in Title 3 Chapter 29 to make sure the species you request to exempt is currently prohibited from sale.*

Please answer the following questions with as much detail as possible and include any significant scientific research and analysis. Acceptable references are listed at the end of this form.

1. Approximately how long has this cultivar been in production/for sale in Delaware? If unknown for Delaware, approximately how long has this cultivar been in production/for sale in the United States?

2. Is this cultivar recognizable as different from the species? Please describe how this cultivar can be discerned from other cultivars or the wild type. Include all appropriate references, photos, or any other information. (See below for acceptable references.)

Yes No

References: _____

3. Please describe in detail the traits of this cultivar that result in it being less invasive than the species. To what extent does the cultivar produce fewer seeds or less viable seedlings? Is the cultivar's spread, abundance, or competitiveness reduced and to what degree? Include appropriate references. (See below for acceptable references.)

Description of Traits:

References: _____

4. Is this cultivar known to revert or produce hybrids that revert to the wild type species characteristics? Include appropriate references. (See below for acceptable references.)

Yes

No

References: _____

5. Please list any other references you have discovered that may support or contradict the request but indicate research done in other climates or hardiness zones. (See below for acceptable references.)

Other References: _____

Acceptable References

- References that are given the greatest weight include: 1) Peer reviewed journal articles. 2) Controlled research studies which may or may not have been published at the time of submission. 3) Documentation of sterility based on a 24–36-month trial (with trial notes) and official plant patent by the USDA office.
- References that are given moderate weight include: 1) Materials from books. 2) Editorial comments from journals. 3) Information from university publications.
- References that will be considered but given lower weight include: 1) Testimonial from curators or directors of botanical gardens. 2) Testimonial from plant breeders with experience with the plant. 3) Testimonial from university or extension specialists.
 - o For testimonials, please obtain a written reference (emails or faxes are acceptable) that includes the individual's name, a description of their experience, and information regarding the area of the country (hardiness zone, climate, etc.) in which they are familiar with the cultivar in question.