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**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
Intellectual Property Rights**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: PLANT VARIETY AND PROTECTION REGULATIONS

Notifying Member	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Plant Variety and Protection Regulations
Subject matter	Patents (including plant variety protection)
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2020/IP/USA/20_5562_00_e.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/USA/P/4
Brief description of the notified legal text	
Certificates of protection are issued by the Plant Variety Protection office for new, distinct, uniform, and stable varieties of sexually reproduced, tuber propagated, or asexually reproduced plants. Each certificate of plant variety protection certifies that the breeder has the right, during the term of the protection, to prevent others from selling the variety, offering it for sale, reproducing it, importing or exporting it, conditioning it, stocking it, or using it in producing a hybrid or different variety from it, as provided by the Act.	
Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	6 January 2020
Other date	

Notification details

Submission date of notification	18 August 2020
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Other information	
Agency or authority responsible	U.S. Department of Agriculture

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