

2028 SASA Regulations regarding planting of Cane

As from 31 March 2028 **ONLY Certified or Approved Seedcane** may be used for replanting of commercial or other seedcane fields!

Requirements for establishing Certified & Approved Nurseries

Certified Nurseries

- **Registration** of proposed nursery site is required.
- **12-month fallow** – last 6 months free of cane.
- Planted with **Hot Water Treated certified seedcane**.
- Three **line-by-line** disease inspections.
- Disease & off-types % = < **local threshold**.
- Seedcane must be **RSD free**.
- Age at harvest: **9-12 months**.
- Eldana – below local hazard level.
- **LPD&VCC Certificate** to sell or move is required.

Approved Nurseries

- Grower must identify proposed nursery site.
- **9-month fallow** – last 6 months free of cane.
- Planted with **certified seedcane**.
- Two **random** disease inspections.
- Disease & off-types % = < **local threshold**.
- Seedcane must be **RSD free**.
- Age at harvest: **9-12 months**.
- Eldana – below local hazard level.
- **LPD&VCC approval** to sell or move is required.

Where to obtain good quality seedcane?

- **CERTIFIED or APPROVED whole stick from a:**
 - Registered Certified Nursery (e.g. RCL New Farm Nursery)
 - Registered Private Producer (Commercial Farmers with nurseries)
- **Speedlings:** Komati Nursery
- **Tissue Culture:** Du Roi Laboratories, Dubé Trade Port

