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Wood Packaging for Import / Export Fumigation / Treatment Requirements

The new standard for wood packaging in international trade is the

International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM 15)

This has been adopted by

Australia

UK and Europe

China

India

Canada

Central & South America

New Zealand

Philippines

Mexico

South Korea

USA

South Africa

Malaysia

The above international logo issued by an approved treatment operator must appear on all wood packaging used in international trade to show that it has been treated to the specifications of the standard.

Timber Packaging

covers





Pallets, Dunnage, Crating, Packing Blocks, Drums, Cases, Load Boards, Pallet Collars and Skids

Exports:

All timber packaging must be marked with the approved logo from a timber treatment provider. While there is no requirement to supply any treatment certificates for the timber packaging. You need to supply a Packing Declaration with the documents for all FCL and LCL export shipments (sample attached).

Failure to supply this declaration can mean that your shipments will be rejected at the country of destination and returned to New Zealand at your cost.

A list of registered manufacturers of ISPM15 compliant Wood Packaging Material can be found at www.biosecurity.govt.nz/exports/forests/standards/packaging-material.htm

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Imports:

Imports to New Zealand of wood packaging material are covered by two different import health standards.

A: Import Health Standard Wood Packaging Material from All Countries.

This standard requires the presentation of Fumigation Certificates to show that the timber has been treated to the correct specification.

B: Import Health Standard for Sea Containers from All Countries.

As you all now know, a Quarantine Declaration must accompany full container load shipments. This declaration is not only for the cleanliness of the container but also a timber packaging declaration.

There has been no change to this standard to accommodate the new ISPM 15 requirements. Quarantine Declarations that have an ISPM 15 declaration and therefore no fumigation certificates, are treated as high-risk containers by MAF. All Documentation has to be submitted to MAF for the BACC to be issued prior to delivery to the ATF.

We have been advised by Biosecurity NZ

“that the declaration will change when ISPM 15 is implemented in full for imports into New Zealand. The policy detail of New Zealand’s import requirements have not been finalized yet and the declaration will not be changed until these details are confirmed.”

Supplier / Packer Letterhead

Full Container Loads (FCL)

[Boxes to be marked with an X in the appropriate place.]

Ship Name: _____ Voyage Number: _____

Consignment identifier(s) or Numerical Link(s): _____

STRAW PACKING

(Straw packing includes straw, cereal, rice hulls, and other unprocessed plant materials.)

Q1. Has **Straw Packing** been used in the consignment listed above?

A1. YES NO

TIMBER PACKING

(Timber packing includes: Crates, Cases, Dunnage, Pallets, Skids, and any other timber used as a shipping aid.)

Q2a. Has **Timber Packing** been used in the consignment listed above?

A2a. YES NO

Q2b. ***ISPM15:** Is all the timber packaging marked with ISPM 15 compliant stamps

A2b. YES NO

BARK (Including ISPM 15 compliant packaging)

(Bark is the external natural layer covering trees and branches. This material is distinct and separable from processed timber.)

Q3. If **Timber Packing** is used, is it free of **BARK**?

A3. YES NO

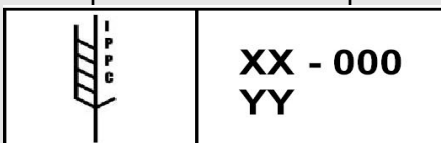
Cleanliness Declaration

I declare that the above container(s) has/have been cleaned and is/are free from material of animal and/or plant origin and soil.

Signed: _____
Packer/ Supplier Representative

Date: _____

*Example of ISPM15 stamp



XX represents country code, 000 the certification number and YY the treatment (HT for Heat treatment and MB for Methyl Bromide fumigation)

Supplier / Packer Letterhead

LCL Packing Declaration

[Boxes to be marked with an X in the appropriate place.]

Ship Name: _____ Voyage Number: _____

Consignment identifier(s) or Numerical Link(s): _____

STRAW PACKING

(Straw packing includes straw, cereal, rice hulls, and other unprocessed plant materials.)

Q1. Has **Straw Packing** been used in the consignment listed above?

A1. YES NO

TIMBER PACKING

(Timber packing includes: Crates, Cases, Dunnage, Pallets, Skids, and any other timber used as a shipping aid.)

Q2a. Has **Timber Packing** been used in the consignment listed above?

A2a. YES NO

Q2b. ***IPSM15:** Is all the timber packaging marked with ISPM 15 compliant stamps

A2b. YES NO

BARK (Including ISPM 15 compliant packaging)

(Bark is the external natural layer covering trees and branches. This material is distinct and separable from processed timber.)

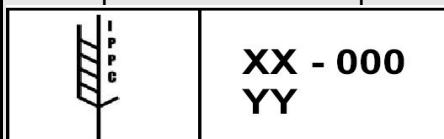
Q3. If **Timber Packing** is used, is it free of **BARK**?

A3. YES NO

Signed: _____
Packer/ Supplier Representative

Date: _____

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