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Dear Sir,

NON COMPLIANT WOOD PACKAGING MATERIAL AND/OR DUNNAGE RE: ISPM15 THE PLANT HEALTH (FORESTRY) ORDER 2005

I write to advise you that a Forestry Commission Plant Health Inspector recently inspected the wood packaging material associated with the consignment detailed above and found that it did not meet the landing requirements set out in the Plant Health (Forestry) Order 2005 ("the Order"). It is the statutory responsibility of every importer (within the meaning of the Order) to ensure that the landing requirements are met. However, as this was your first offence under this legislation, and no evidence of live pests were found, the goods were allowed to proceed.

However, a similar finding in future could lead to the refusal of entry of all or part of the consignment.

REASON: Bark



Please read what are the rules?

Please supply the name and contact information of the company or person who loaded the container and a copy of the Bill of Lading.

Please supply evidence by E-mail to confirm that this document was forwarded to the relevant Company or person who loaded the above container and/or for whom the container was loaded in the exporting country.

Please send to forestry@cfs-uk.co.uk.

You are strongly advised therefore to liaise with your suppliers to ensure that future imports of wood packaging material coming from third countries comply fully with the regulations. This will avoid entry refusal and subsequent re-export and delays in receiving your goods.

Yours faithfully



Forestry Commission, Plant Health Service



What are the new rules ?

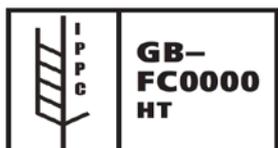
From the 1st October 2005 wood packaging material (such as packing cases, cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packings, pallets, box pallets and other load boards, pallet collars), other than those comprised wholly of manufactured wood products such as plywood, oriented strand board, particle board or similar, which are exempt, can only be imported into Great Britain if they meet the following requirements.

The wood packaging material shall:

- be subject to one of the approved measures as specified in the Order, namely;
- De-Barked
- heat treatment of the wood packaging material that achieves a minimum wood core temperature of 56 degrees Celsius for a minimum of 30 minutes, or
- the wood packaging material shall have been fumigated with Methyl bromide in accordance with requirements described in Annex 1 of ISPM15 and
- display a mark with;

the two-letter ISO country code, a code assigned by the National Plant Protection Organisation of the country concerned identifying the producer, and the code identifying the approved measure applied to the wood packaging material as specified in Annex II of ISPM15¹.

And in the case of wood packaging material manufactured, repaired or recycled as of 1st March 2005, also the logo as specified in Annex II to ISPM15 i.e. the IPPC logo.



Further details about the Plant Health (Forestry) Order and the Council Directive it implements (2000/29/EC) can be found on the Forestry Commission's Plant Health Service website www.forestry.gov.uk/planthealth which is regularly updated. We can also be contacted by fax on (44) (0)131 314 6148 or on our helpline (44) (0)131 314 6414.