

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Agriculture at the Border

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What is Customs and Border Protection (CBP)?

After 9/11 Immigration Service,
Customs and USDA International
APHIS / PPQ were merged into a
unified border Port of Entry
Agency under Homeland Security

CBP Agriculture

Protecting American Agriculture
while Facilitating Legitimate Trade
and Travel

Roles

- Bio-Terrorism
- Animal Health
- Plant Health
- Facilitate Legitimate Trade and Travel

Emerging Issues 2014 Include

- Cargo: Non-compliant and infested wood
- Baggage: Undeclared and un-documented biological samples and products and “transit to Canada” issues.

Cargo

- Non-compliant wood: that is wood without IPPC markings
- Untreated wood: Wood with or without IPPC markings that contains live insects

IPPC Seal 1



IPPC Seal #2



Important Beetles in Solid Wood Packing Material

Cerambycidae, Scolytidae
Bostrichidae, Anobiidae

Cerambycidae Damage



Asian Long-horned beetle Larva



Asian Long-horned beetle adult



Emerald Ash Borer Damage



Emerald Ash Borer larvae



Emerald Ash Borer Adult



Adult Long-horned Beetles



Cerambycidae, Larvae



Costs of Infested SWPM

- 50 million dead trees
- Manipulation, fumigation or re-export of cargo
- Delays in delivery
- Fines and damages

Solution to Infested SWPM

- Adherence to IPPC rules
- Replacement of SWPM with pallets made of metal, plastic, cardboard or wood composites

Passenger Baggage Issues

- Declaring Biologicals
- Making Entry

Declaring

- For US Residents: all items in the passengers luggage which were not in the luggage when the passenger departed the US, **MUST BE DECLARED!** Failure to Declare can lead to seizure
- For Visitors: all items in the luggage to be left in the US, transferred in the US or used in business while in the US must be declared
- Regardless of travelers status: All food, all plants and animals as well as plant and animal products and all biologicals must be declared regardless of source, origin, or intended use.

The Declaration

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Customs Declaration
19 CFR 122.27, 148.12, 148.13, 148.110, 148.111, 1498.31 CFR 5316 FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1551-0009

Each arriving traveler or responsible family member must provide the following information (only ONE written declaration per family is required):

1. **Family Name**
First (Given) _____ Middle _____
2. **Birth date** Day _____ Month _____ Year _____
3. **Number of Family members** traveling with you _____
4. (a) **U.S. Street Address** (hotel name/destination) _____
(b) **City** _____ (c) **State** _____
5. **Passport issued by** (country) _____
6. **Passport number** _____
7. **Country of Residence** _____
8. **Countries visited** on this trip prior to U.S. arrival _____
9. **Airline/Flight No. or Vessel Name** _____
10. The primary purpose of this trip is **business**: Yes No
11. I am (We are) bringing:
(a) fruits, vegetables, plants, seeds, food, insects: Yes No
(b) meats, animals, animal/wildlife products: Yes No
(c) disease agents, cell cultures, snails: Yes No
(d) soil or have been on a farm/ranch/pasture: Yes No
12. I have (We have) been in close proximity of (such as touching or handling) **livestock**: Yes No
13. I am (We are) carrying **currency or monetary instruments** over \$10,000 U.S. or foreign equivalent: Yes No
(see definition of monetary instruments on reverse)
14. I have (We have) **commercial merchandise**: Yes No
(articles for sale, samples used for soliciting orders, or goods that are not considered personal effects)
15. **Residents** — the total value of all goods, including commercial merchandise I/we have purchased or acquired abroad, (including gifts for someone else, but not items mailed to the U.S.) and am/are bringing to the U.S. is: \$ _____
Visitors — the total value of all articles that will remain in the U.S., including commercial merchandise is: \$ _____

Read the instructions on the back of this form. Space is provided to list all the items you must declare.

I HAVE READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM AND HAVE MADE A TRUTHFUL DECLARATION.

(Signature) _____
For Official Use _____ Date (day/month/year) _____

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What are Biologicals?

- Material for Clinical, Research or Production use including but not limited to: plant, animal or human specimens, tissues or products, any pathogens, toxins, live organisms, diagnostic specimens or products, any pathogenic or non-pathogenic microorganism, any viruses, serums or designated select agents, any vaccines, cells, genetically modified cells or products there from. **THIS INCLUDES ALL BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS!**

Permits and Paperwork

- Permits Issued by USDA, or other US Govt. Agency
- Letter of No Jurisdiction (LNJ) issued by USDA or other US Govt. Agency to indicate that they have been informed as to the nature of the material and or its use and that there is no regulatory oversight or that a permit is not required
- Formal written description of the item, to whom it is being taken and its intended use
- A document linking the passenger to the product, permit or LNJ and the end user

In-transit or Making Entry

- Passengers driving to Windsor Ont., or flying to Atlanta to transfer to a flight for Argentina are not “In-transit”, they are Making Entry to the US and subject to all rules and regulations

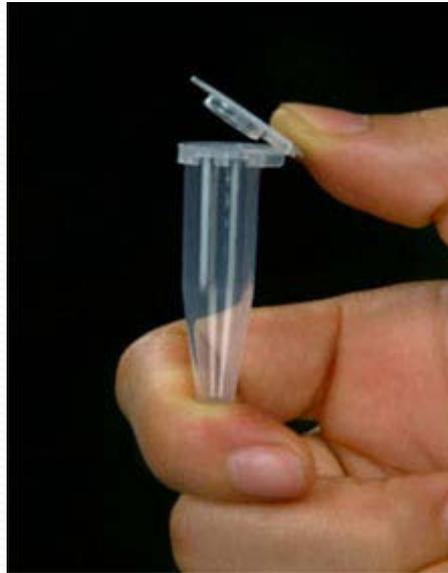
This means they must declare like any other person entering the US

What do we see?



What do we see?

- Micro centrifuge tubes with ?



What do we see?

- Agar Slants



What is the Solution?

- Understanding what must be declared
- Documenting and permitting, if necessary, all biologicals
- Declaring ALL biologicals