

Plant Quarantine Notice



Phytosanitary certificates must be submitted for all plants



When bringing plants* into Japan, it is legally required to submit Phytosanitary certificate issued by the government of exporting country and to take import inspection based on the Plant Protection Act.

* Fruits, vegetables, cereals, cut flowers, seeds, seedlings, plant products (ex. dry flowers) etc.

See the other side for more detailed information of import prohibition and other requirements (Phytosanitary certificates submission and import inspection).



If Phytosanitary certificates are not presented, the plants will be disposed (Plant Protection Act).

Legal penalties may apply to violation cases such as imports without phytosanitary certificates or without plant import inspection: you will be caught in jail for max. three years or charged with max. one million yens.

On alert for plant pests entry



Plants subject to import prohibition (not exhaustive)

- Most fruits and fruit vegetables (ex. Citrus fruits and Mangoes) from countries and regions in which Mediterranean fruit flies and/or Oriental fruit flies are present.
- Apples, cherries, and other fruits from countries and regions in which Codling moths are present.

*Many plants cannot be imported from countries and regions in which the seriously damaging pests are present. For more info, contact any plant protection station listed below.



Mediterranean fruit fly



Oriental fruit fly



Codling moth

◆ Import inspections required but Phytosanitary certificates not required

- Dried plants of turmeric and the genera *Eucommia*;
- Dried seeds of almond, cashew, coconut, pepper, pistachio, Persian walnut and macadamia nut (except those for cultivation).

◆ Phytosanitary certificates and Import inspections are not required

- Processed goods such as lumber
- Processed tea leaves
- Plants immersed in alcohol, acetic acid, sugar etc.

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- Yokohama Plant Protection Station +81-45-211-7153
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