

Are you aware? Plant Material Quarantine.

In April 2007,
quarantine measures on
imported wooden packaging
materials will be enacted to
prevent damage to forests
caused by the introduction of
non-native insects.

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Plant Protection Station
Please help stop crop damage from foreign insects
The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of JAPAN
<http://www.pps.go.jp>

Necessary international standards to regulate sterilization procedures for export (ISPM No. 15) are now in effect.

Standards for sterilization treatment

● Heat Treatment (HT)

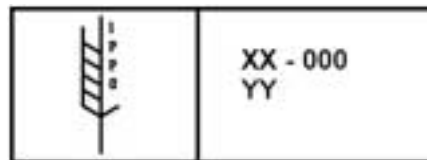
Packaging material must be heated to a minimum core temperature of 56 degrees centigrade for a minimum of 30 minutes.

● Methyl Bromide (MB) Fumigation

Depending on temperature, MB concentration should be in the range of 48-64g/m³
Minimum exposure time is 24 hours.

Treated packing materials must clearly display the mark as shown below. Approval to use this mark is issued by the NPPO of an exporting country or by an organization officially recognized by the NPPO.

* Wooden packing materials include both packaging and containers such as pallets, dunnage, crates etc.



In cases where wooden packaging materials lack the appropriate mark, an inspection by a monitoring officer is required at the point of entry.



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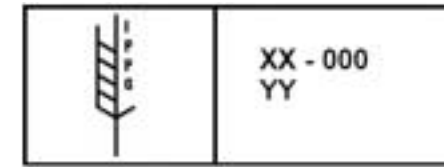
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When using wooden packaging materials for import of freight from abroad, please use only those materials properly marked in accordance with international standards.



XX : ISO Country Code
 000 : Identification Number for the NPPO approved producer of the wooden packaging material.
 YY : Abbreviation for the treatment method used (HT, MB)

Wooden packaging materials primarily targeted for inspection:



① Skids



② Wooden Drums



③ Battens



④ Wooden Crates



⑤ Wooden Crates



⑥ Wooden Crates



⑦ Wooden Cases



⑧ Wooden Pegs



⑨ Wooden Pallets reinforced with Battens

Notice : If these items display the required markings, they need not be subjected to quarantine inspection.

Packaging materials not requiring quarantine inspection:



① Wedges made from LVL (laminated veneer lumber)



② Pallets made from plywood



③ Skids made from particleboard



④ Pallets made from particleboard



⑤ Dunnage made from particleboard



⑥ Pallets made from paper

Notice : These items do not require special markings.

