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IT SETS OUT QUARANTINE REGULATIONS FOR THE ENTRY OF WOOD PACKAGING MATERIAL

Agriculture Protection Division

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TODAY THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN
ESTABLISHED:

N° 133 / VIEWED: What is set out in Decree Law N°3.557 of 1980 on Agriculture Protection, Resolution 1,826 of 1994, which establishes Phytosanitary requirements for the entry of wood packaging material to Chile coming from abroad, the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures ISPMs N° 15 of the International and the Resolution N° 3,815 of 2003 of the Agriculture and Livestock Service, and

CONSIDERING:

1. That the Agriculture and Livestock Service is empowered to establish requirements for the entry of products that may be a vehicle for pests.
2. That the wood packaging material may be an effective vehicle for the entry and spread in the international trade of quarantine pests.

RESOLVE:

1. The wood packaging material thicker than 5 mm, used in the transport of any consignment coming from abroad or temporarily in the national territory, including wood of cargo stowage must be made with stripped wood and treated in the wood country of origin with any of the following treatments:

1.1 Heat treatment (HT): The wood packaging material must be heated in an oven in accordance with a time/temperature specific curve, through which the core of the wood has reached a minimum temperature of 56°C during a period of at least 30 minutes.

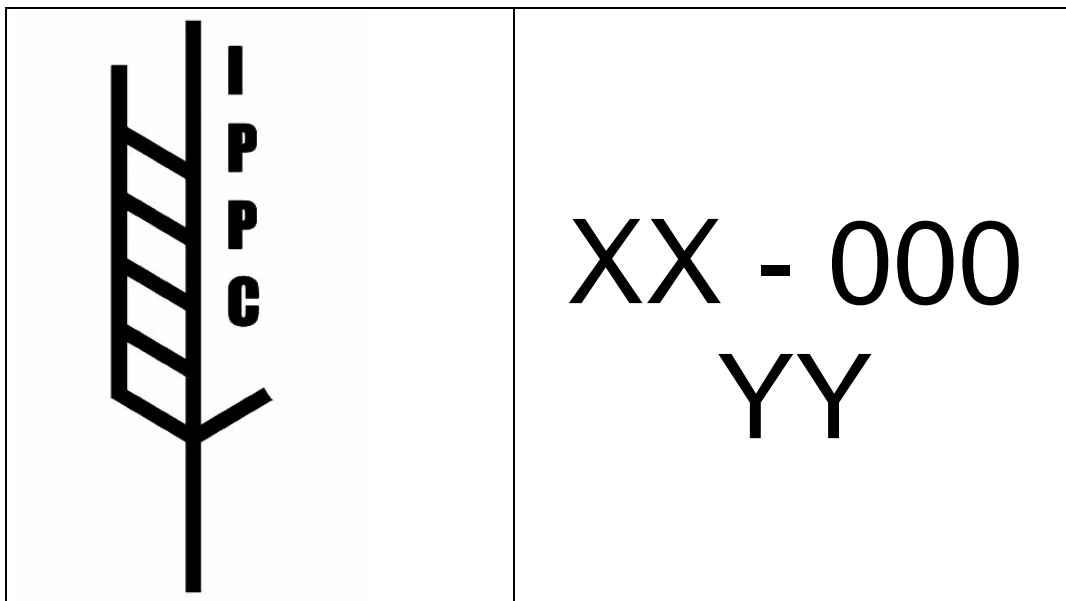
The Kiln Drying (KD) and the pressure Chemical Impregnation could be considered as a heat treatment, if complies with the HT specifications.

1.2 Fumigation with Methyl Bromide (MB): The basic standard for the treatment with methyl bromide is the following:

Temperature	Dose (g/m ³)	Minimum records of concentration (g/m ³) during			
		30 min.	2 h	4 h	16 h
21°C or more	48	36	24	17	14
16°C or more	56	42	28	20	17
11°C or more	64	48	32	22	19

The minimum temperature will not be lower than 10°C and 16 hours of time of minimum exposure.

- All the wood packaging material that enters the country must display the following Mark to certify that has been subjected to any of the approved Phytosanitary treatments mentioned before.



The Mark must include:

- The symbol:
- XX: Indicates the Code of 2 letters of the origin country of the goods, according to the ISO standard.
- 000: Indicates a special number given by the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) to the producer of the wood packaging material.
- YY: Represents the abbreviation identifying the Phytosanitary treatment measure used (eg. HT or MB). The acronyms KD for wood with kiln drying and DB for stripped wood.

The Mark must be legible, permanent and non-transferable, black, blue or dark brown.

- This mark must be come stamped on at least two visible external faces of every packaging unit coming from abroad and every wood unit of cargo stowage.

4. If the wood packaging material does not display the required mark, or if in any packaging piece living insects, signs of living insects or bark, the Agriculture and Livestock Service inspectors will have to eliminate or treat them through an Order of Quarantine Treatment, which may be applied to the whole consignment.
5. The present resolution does not include the wood packaging material totally made of plywood, particle boards, oriented fiberboards or ply sheets produced using glue, heat and pressure or a combination of the same, and either barrels and staves of oenological use.
6. The Agriculture and Livestock Service will inspect any wood packaging material, stowage wood, container, lot or means of transport coming from abroad, in order to verify the fulfillment of this Resolution, being able to have the immobilization of the importation cargo and packaging and have the phytosanitary and biosafety measures that they consider relevant, aimed to decrease the risk of pest entry.
This phytosanitary measure will be carried out in the ports of entry for entering goods, facilities out of the port, areas of facilities of cargo destinations, industrial facilities where entering goods from abroad are stored or used.
7. The companies for quarantine treatment authorized to carry out phytosanitary treatments to the entering packagings must submit to SAG the wood samples where the Service inspectors have detected the presence of bark, living insects or signs of living insects when it is required, in due dates and under the measures that the Service determines in the Quarantine Treatment Order.
8. Through bilateral agreement between the Agriculture and Livestock Service and other National Plant Protection Organization, the entry to the country of regulated products of plant origin and supported by an official Phytosanitary Certificate of the origin country will be authorized, whose packagings have not been subjected to phytosanitary treatments described in ISPMs N° 15, if the same are covered by the mentioned Certificate, and are completely free from barks, damages caused by insects and pests.
9. The port facilities for the entry of goods from abroad and deposits of importation cargo must be kept clean of residuals of packagings.
10. Platforms or pallets made of wood of national origin and used in cargo and transport of goods in any authorized port for the importation or exportation of cargo must be completely free from barks and damages caused by insects and painted blue in two of the sides.
11. This Resolution will come into force as to June 1st, 2005.
12. Derogate the Resolution N° 1,826 of 1994, of the Agriculture and Livestock Service.

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