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Treatment Monitoring Fee

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The AQI program performs or monitors the fumigation or cold treatment of consignments of articles that require treatment upon arrival from a place outside the customs territory of the United States, either as a condition of entry or as a remedial measure ordered after inspection. Treatment monitoring fee regulations are listed in 7 CFR 354.3(h).

The Cost and What It Covers

The current treatment monitoring fee is **\$237.00** per treatment (see <u>7 CFR 354.3(h)</u>). This fee covers the direct and indirect costs to conduct the treatment, monitor the treatment, or both. Treatments monitored on overtime will incur both the treatment monitoring fee and the reimbursable overtime fee.

Paying the Fee

When APHIS is not providing the AQI treatment and collecting the associated fee, the treatment provider performing the treatment is responsible for collecting and remitting the fees to APHIS, as described in <u>7 CFR 354.3(h)</u>. A <u>Remittance Worksheet</u> (277.65 KB) is available to assist with this process.

How To Pay the Treatment Monitoring User Fee infographic (97.23 KB)

How To Set Up a Payment Account

To set up a payment account with APHIS' Financial Management Division, send a completed New Account Packet - Treatment (483.47 KB) to the location indicated on the worksheet.

Companies need a separate APHIS account for each user fee type, such as international air passenger, treatment monitoring, reimbursable overtime, and other types.

Reimbursable Overtime Services

Customers may request and receive AQI services associated with activities typically covered by an AQI user fee outside the normal tour of duty of the employee(s) providing the requested service. In such cases, overtime charges may be assessed as outlined in 7 CFR 354.1.

APHIS Reimbursable Overtime Services

Refer to the <u>APHIS Reimbursable Overtime Services</u> web page for additional information including how to pay the reimbursable overtime fee.

CBP Reimbursable Overtime Services

Any requests for agriculture reimbursable overtime will be made in accordance with CBP port policy. Please contact your local CBP Port of Entry.

Can companies remit payments more frequently than specified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)?

To minimize administrative costs, please remit payments as outlined in <u>7 CFR</u> <u>354.3(h)</u>

Are companies required to open a separate account at their bank to handle USDA fee collections?

No. Companies must account for user fee collections separately from their other business within their own accounting methods and systems.

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