

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
PLANT PROTECTION AND QUARANTINE**

COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

1. **NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PERSON OR FIRM**

2. **LOCATION**

3. **REGULATED ARTICLE(S)**

Untreated (article) from (Country) which are destined for irradiation treatment at (name, U.S. address of APHIS certified irradiation treatment facility)

4. **APPLICABLE FEDERAL QUARANTINE(S) OR REGULATIONS**

Title IV Plant Protection Act of 2000; Title 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 305, 319, and 352.

5. **I / WE AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:**

GENERAL STIPULATIONS

- 1) Abide by all conditions and safeguards provided in this Importer Compliance Agreement and the associated Import Permit issued by Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ). All costs associated with the transportation and/or safeguarding of the regulated articles will borne by the importing party.
- 2) That I will ensure that any person or subsequent custodian, such as any broker, cargo handler, forwarder, temporary storage facility, and/or other agents or entities that bring into, unload, store, transfer, transports, or otherwise possesses or moves the regulated articles into and through the United States on my behalf are aware of and will comply with all import requirements and immediate transportation requirements, as well as the port of arrival and routing information of this Importer Compliance Agreement.
- 3) No person including the owner, permittee, his agent, or the operator of a carrier shall release articles placed on hold until such articles have been inspected and/or released by Customs and Border Protection Agency (CBP) at the port of entry or by PPQ after irradiation treatment is complete.

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6. **SIGNATURE**

7. **TITLE**

8. **DATE SIGNED**

The affixing of the signatures below will validate this agreement which shall remain in effect until canceled, but may be revised as necessary, or revoked for noncompliance.

9. **AGREEMENT NO.**

10. **DATE OF AGREEMENT**

11. **PPQ/CBP OFFICIAL (NAME AND TITLE)**

Roger Holman, National Operations Manager

12. **ADDRESS**

USDA APHIS PPQ, Field Operations
920 Main Campus Drive,
Raleigh, NC 27606
Phone: 919-855-7336 Fax: 919-855-7391

13. **SIGNATURE**

14. **U.S. GOVERNMENT/STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL (NAME AND TITLE)**

[INSERT NAME] PPQ State Plant Health Director

15. **ADDRESS**

USDA-APHIS-PPQ
Address, City, State, Zip

16. **SIGNATURE**

-----Not applicable-----

- 4) Ensuring that any port of arrival requirements or actions designed to prevent the introduction and escape of plant pests, as directed by Customs and Border Protection (CBP), are met prior to conditional release of shipments for movement to the irradiation facility from the port of arrival/port of entry. If CBP or PPQ determines that shipment(s) imported under this Importer Compliance Agreement or associated permit are not adequately safeguarded, those shipment(s) may be refused entry.
- 5) Supply all import documents, including PPQ Form 368, Notice of Arrival, to CBP port officials 24 hours in advance of arrival of the consignment at the port of arrival. Notice must also be provided to the U.S. Government/State Agency Official contact point as listed in blocks 14 and 15 of this Compliance Agreement 24 hours in advance of the arrival of the consignment at the APHIS certified irradiation treatment facility listed in block 3 of this Compliance Agreement.
- 6) Maintain shipment documents for 12 months from the date of entry of each shipment. Documentation must be made available to APHIS PPQ, upon request, during normal business hours. Included are bill(s) of lading, invoices pertaining to the number of shipments and units/boxes shipped to the irradiation facility, CBP Form AI-625, "Sealing Report/Authorization to Proceed", and PPQ Form 368, "Notice of Arrival".
- 7) Failure to comply with all conditions of this Importer Compliance Agreement may result in the issuance of civil penalties to the importer and/or cancellation of this Compliance Agreement and/or associated Permit. All shipment all shipments arriving after cancellation will be re-exported at no cost to the United States Department of Agriculture or Department of Homeland Security.
- 8) Specific Routing Information with maps outlining specific trucking routes to be included
- 9) Specific Procedures and Contact Information (as necessary) for safeguarding in case of conveyance mechanical failure or accident, spillage, or routing changes during transportation to be included.