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Plant Protection and Quarantine

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APHIS Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) safeguards our Nation's crops and forests against the entry, establishment, and spread of economically and environmentally significant pests. In doing so, we help U.S. agriculture thrive—across the country and around the world.

Learn more about <u>our organization</u>, <u>Plant Protection Today</u>, and the <u>authorities</u> under which we work.

Priorities

Facilitating Safe Trade



Imports: Establishing Effective Regulations and Policies

We determine which plants and plant products can be imported and which pose a high risk and should be excluded. Our regulations and policies protect the environment and U.S. agriculture.

Learn About Imports

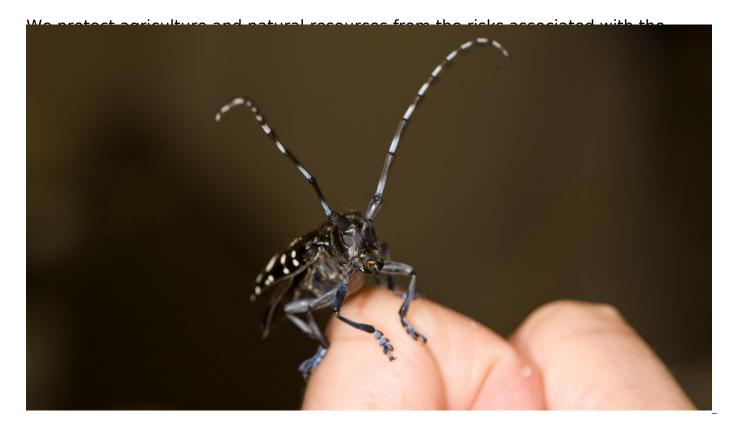


Exports: Assisting American Farmers and Exporters

We provide plant health inspection and certification for plants and plant products



Safeguarding U.S. Agriculture From Invasive Pests



Trending Topics

Yellow-Legged Hornet

The yellow-legged hornet was recently detected in the United States for the first time. Find out more about this destructive pest and how you can help prevent its spread.

National Clean Plant Network Funding

The National Clean Plant Network protects healthy U.S. agriculture by providing "clean" plant propagative material free of targeted pathogens and pests. Learn about the program and current funding opportunities.

Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Funding

The Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Program funds projects to strengthen, prevent, detect, and mitigate invasive plant pests and diseases.

Import Permits

Want to bring plants or plant products into the United States? Learn about APHIS regulations so you can import your products safely and legally.

Detector Dogs

The National Detector Dog Training Center trains specially selected dogs and their handlers to safeguard America's agricultural and natural resources from harmful pests. Learn more about detector dogs.

Science and Technology

PPQ scientists monitor data from around the world and throughout the country to uncover pathways and develop strategies to both exclude pests before they arrive at our shores and to stop or limit their movement if they enter the country.

Latest Updates

7/29/25

APHIS Amends Mexican Fruit Fly (Anastrepha ludens) Quarantine Areas in Texas 7/28/25 APHIS Ensures Access to Fumigations Despite Port of Newark Provider Closure 7/25/25 APHIS Amends Light Brown Apple Moth (Epiphyas postvittana) Import Requirements for Fruits and Vegetables from New Zealand 7/24/25 APHIS Expands Box Tree Moth (Cydalima perspectalis) Quarantines in Michigan and Ohio 7/23/25 REMINDER: Don't Carry Prohibited Plant and Animal Products Back to the Mainland View All Updates

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