

Agricultural Commodity Import Requirements (ACIR)

Quick Reference Guide

Choosing the Applicable ACIR Tile








Example: Alstroemeria (Cut Flowers) from Peru

Introduction

- Searching ACIR for commodity import requirements begins with choosing the applicable ACIR tile.
- Open ACIR at <https://acir.aphis.usda.gov>.

Choosing the Applicable ACIR Tile

1. Determine shipment components.
 - a. Identify the commodity and country of origin.
2. Identify the intended use of the commodity:
 - Consumption
 - Planting
 - Indoor use
 - Decoration
 - Manufacturing
 - Outdoor use
3. Identify the form and process type of the commodity, e.g., Fresh; Fresh, Cut; Frozen; Dried.
4. Compare ACIR tile names/descriptions with commodity details.
 - a. Each tile displays a general description of commodities regulated via that tile beneath the tile name. Review and determine which tile applies to the commodity in question.

 Plants for Planting and Propagation <i>Imported material of plants and vegetative parts that are for or capable of propagation, including buds, corms, cuttings, layers, pollen, scions, seeds, tissue, tubers, and like structures.</i>	 Plants and Plant Products Not for Propagation <i>Fruits, vegetables, seeds, cut flowers, or handicrafts not for propagation, including products that are fresh, cooked, dried, cut, frozen, and other similar processed states.</i>	 Wood Products and Byproducts <i>Logs, lumber, cross ties, firewood, wood chips, mulch, wood packaging material, cork and other similar articles.</i>	 Pest Organisms <i>Fungi, Chromista, pest insects, other assorted plant pathogens, butterflies, and more.</i>
 Other Items <i>Tools, materials, or machinery that can act as carriers for pests, including vehicles, containers, bags, packing materials, and other similar articles.</i>	 Soil, Soil Amendments, and Rocks <i>Compost, manure, rock, sand, soil, and other similar articles.</i>	 Treatments <i>Phytosanitary treatments for quarantine-significant plant pests on imported and domestic commodities.</i>	

5. Choose the ACIR tile that applies.

Example: *Cut Flowers of Alstroemeria from Peru.*

a. First, determine shipment components, use, and process state for cut flowers of Alstroemeria from Peru:

- *Cut flowers are generally for indoor use*
- *Not generally for propagation*
- *Process type is “Fresh, Cut”.*

b. Review tile titles and descriptions.

- *Note the tile “**Plants and Plant Products Not for Propagation**” includes the description: “Fruits, vegetables, seeds, cut flowers, or handicrafts not for propagation, including products that are fresh, cooked, dried, cut, frozen, and other similar processed states”.*
- **Cut flowers** are specifically indicated in this tile’s description.



c. Choose the “**Plants and Plant Products Not for Propagation**” tile to access import requirements for all cut flowers, including those of *Alstroemeria* from Peru.