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Wood Packaging Material

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Wood packaging material (WPM) used to support, protect, or carry cargo into the United States must be treated and certified per International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (ISPM 15). We use the same standard for exports to ensure WPM meets importing countries' requirements. These standards help prevent the spread of harmful, wood-boring pests and facilitate safe international trade. This page offers guidance and resources for meeting these standards. View ISPM 15

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Import WPM into the United States

As a U.S. importer or broker, find out what's regulated as WPM, how to source ISPM 15-compliant WPM, and what to do if you receive an Emergency Action Notification.



Export WPM to Another Country

As a U.S. exporter or warehouse, find information on ISPM 15 standards, accreditation, and which countries require WPM to be compliant.

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Noncompliant WPM Dashboard Inspection Process Videos

Inspection Process Videos

The following is a series of training videos for CBP inspectors on the WPM inspection process:

- 1. Physical Exam of General Cargo
- 2. Checklist of General Cargo
- 3. Taking a Closer Look at WPM
- 4. Taking a Closer Look at Finding the Pests
- 5. Tools Used During Inspection

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