

**Countries with implementation changes since last update (October 15, 2009):**

**Australia:** The Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) no longer requires a "*Newly Manufactured Plywood Declaration*" for plywood-veneer packaging. However, AQIS is still monitoring the risks associated with plywood and veneer packaging through surveys and target surveillance in order to verify that risks are adequately managed.

**European Union (EU):** EU member states still accept wood packaging fumigated with methyl bromide from other countries outside Europe. Their new regulation prohibiting the use of methyl bromide only applies to fumigation of wood packaging within Europe.

**Indonesia:** Indonesian Agricultural Quarantine Agency updated its *Decree of the Minister of Agriculture No. 12/2009* to go in line with the 2009 edition of ISPM 15 (i.e. made of debarked wood).

**Senegal:** The Direction de la Protection des Vegetaux au Ministere de l'Agriculture (Plant Protection Department of the Ministry of Agriculture) of Senegal has proposed an implementation date of August 15, 2010.

**Sri Lanka:** The Department of Agriculture of Sri Lanka has been implementing ISPM 15 since March 8, 2010.

**Summary information for countries that have begun implementation or announced plans to implement ISPM-15:**

**Argentina:** June 1, 2006

**Australia:** September 1, 2004 (Variations to ISPM-15: Bark-free + packing declaration for ISPM-15 compliant WPM, 21-day rule does not apply); January 1, 2006 will add wood packaging used in break bulk and air cargo to their ISPM-15 enforcement.

**Bolivia:** July 23, 2005

**Brazil:** June 1, 2005

**Bulgaria:** January 24, 2006

**Canada:** September 16, 2005 (Exemption granted to U.S.)

**Chile:** June 1, 2005

**China:** January 1, 2006

**Colombia:** September 16, 2005

**Costa Rica:** March 19, 2006

**Cuba:** October 1, 2008

**Dominican Republic:** July 1, 2006

**Ecuador:** September 20, 2005

**Egypt:** October 1, 2005

**European Union:** March 1, 2005

**Guatemala:** September 16, 2005

**Honduras:** February 25, 2006

**India:** November 1, 2004 (Variation: Phytosanitary certificate required only for WPM not ISPM-15 compliant)\

**Indonesia:** September 2009

**Israel:** October 31, 2009

**Jamaica:** October 20, 2007

**Japan:** April 1, 2007

**Jordan:** November 17, 2005

**Lebanon:** March 26, 2006

**Malaysia:** January 1, 2010

**Mexico:** September 16, 2005

**New Zealand:** April 16, 2003; starting November 1, 2009 switched to debarked WPM

**Nicaragua:** No published date of implementation

**Nigeria:** September 30, 2004

**Norway:** January 1, 2008

**Oman:** December 2006

**Paraguay:** June 28, 2005

**Peru:** March 1, 2005

**Philippines:** June 1, 2005

**Senegal:** August 15, 2010 (ISPM 15-compliant + bark-free)

**Seychelles:** March 1, 2006

**South Africa:** January 1, 2005

**South Korea:** June 1, 2005

**Sri Lanka:** March 8, 2010

**Switzerland:** March 1, 2005

**Syria:** April 1, 2006

**Taiwan:** July 2008

**Tanzania:** No published date of implementation

**Thailand:** No published date of implementation

**Trinidad & Tobago:** September 15, 2005

**Turkey:** January 1, 2006

**Ukraine:** October 1, 2005

**U.S.:** September 16, 2005 (Exemption granted to Canada -- must provide import declaration that shipment derived from trees harvested in U.S. or Canada -- import lumber must be ISPM-15; 24-hr methyl bromide fumigation schedule in their requirements for imported packaging effective February 7, 2008)

**Venezuela:** June 1, 2005

**Vietnam:** June 5, 2005

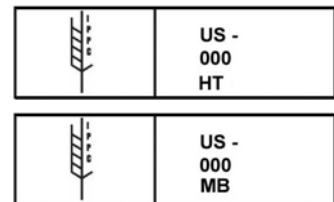
### **ISPM-15 Requirements**

Treatment options are:

- Heat Treatment (HT): Wood packaging material should be heated in a schedule that achieves a minimum core temperature of 56°C for a minimum of 30 minutes.
- Methyl Bromide (MB) Fumigation: The wood packaging material should be fumigated with methyl bromide.

Mark with the following components:

- IPPC symbol
- country code
- producer/treatment provider code
- HT or MB



Must be made from debarked wood; small pieces of bark may remain if:

- Less than 3 cm in width (regardless of length) or
- Greater than 3 cm in width, with the total surface area of an individual piece of bark less than 50 cm<sup>2</sup>

To the best of NWPCA's knowledge, ISPM 15 Wood Packaging Update contains current information as of the date of publication. NWPCA does not warrant or assume any legal liability for the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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