

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Season - Australia

Please be informed, that the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources in Australia is alerted because of the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug and works hard to ensure that this bug will be unable to enter Australia.

Therefore, all containerized cargo (including FCL/LCL/FAK/FCX shipments) and/or Breakbulk **which will be shipped between September 1st 2018 and April 30th 2019** out of the below list of countries must be treated prior to arriving or being released into Australia if they are considered Targeted 'High Risk' Goods or Targeted Risk goods as follows;

Target Risk Countries

- U.S.A:
- Italy
- Germany
- France
- Russia
- Greece
- Hungary
- Romania
- Georgia
- Japan (heightened vessel surveillance will be the only measure applied).

Targeted High-Risk Goods which are shipped as LCL (less than container load), FAK (freight of all kinds), breakbulk, in open top containers or on flat rack containers will no longer be accepted into Australia without off shore treatment. Should goods arrive into Australia without having been fumigated or treated off shore, they will be directed for export or destroyed. (this information is being updated daily, please refer to the website below for the most accurate information). The regulations concerning the handling of Tank containers is presently being investigated.

Targeted High-Risk Goods which are shipped as FCL/FCX (full containers) also require mandatory treatment either off-shore prior to shipping or on-shore after arrival, prior to being released into Australia.

Further to this, any off-shore treatment providers **must be accredited** by the Department of Agriculture for their treatments to be accepted.

Below is the current target 'high risk' goods which as explained above will no longer be accepted without off shore fumigation. If goods are not treated off shore by an accredited provider, then the shipments will be directed for destruction or re-export.

36 Explosives, pyrotechnics
44 Wood
45 Cork
57 Carpets
68 Stone, cement
69 Ceramics
70 Glass
72 Steel, iron
73 Steel articles
74 Copper
75 Nickel
76 Aluminium
78 Lead
79 Zinc
80 Tin
81 Base metals
82 Tools, cutlery
83 Base metal
84 Machinery
85 Electrical machinery
86 Railway locos
87 Vehicles
88 Aircraft
89 Ships
93 Arms, ammunition

Target 'Risk' goods

Goods in this category will be subject to in-creased on-shore intervention, off-shore (as per the above requirements) and on-shore treatments are acceptable at this time.

All tariffs under the following chapters are being considered as target risk goods.

25 Salt, minerals
26 Ores, slag, ash
27 Fuel oils
28 Inorganic chemicals
29 Organic chemicals
31 Fertilizers
38 Chemical products
39 Plastics
40 Tyre, rubber
46 Straw, basket ware
47 Wood pulp
48 Paper, cardboard
49 Printed matter
56 Wadding, felt

For further information, please check out below link:

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/before/pests/brown-marmorated-stink-bugs//offshore-treatment-providers>

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Kind regards

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