



**Notification of the Department of Agriculture  
On the Determination of Rules, Procedures and  
Conditions  
For the Importation of Wood Packaging Materials  
B.E. 2552**

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In accordance with the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives Notification on the Determination of Wood Packaging Materials as Restricted Articles B.E.....dated....., prescribing that the importation of wood packaging materials must be in compliance with the requirements stipulated by the Director General. By the virtue of power vested in accordance with Section 3 of such Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives Notification, the Director General then lays down the rules, procedures and conditions to control the importation of wood packaging materials as follows :

1. Procedures for importation of wood packaging materials

- 1.1 The imported commodity that is covered by wood packaging materials as packages or containers shall be notified of such import to the Officer at the plant quarantine point of entry.

- 1.2 Such imported commodity described in item 1.1 shall be subject to be inspected by the Officer for detecting pests from the imported wood packaging materials.

- 1.3 Wood packaging materials must be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate. Part of disinfestation and /or disinfection treatment must be specified in accordance with item 2.3.

2. Conditions for the importation of wood packaging materials

- 2.1 Must be free from pests as annexed to this Notification.

- 2.2 Must be debarked wood.

- 2.3 Must be treated with any approved methods of treatment as recommended in the

International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM)  
as follows :

### 2.3.1 Fumigation

Wood must be fumigated with methyl bromide in accordance with a schedule specified at the following rates. The gas concentrations must be carried out at any specific exposure times and such concentrations must be measured not less than that of specified.

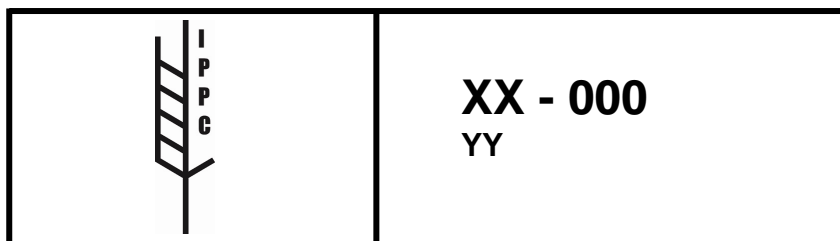
Temperature ( ° C)	Dosage ( g/m <sup>3</sup> )	Minimum concentration ( g/m <sup>3</sup> ) at time (hour)			
		2 hours	4 hours	12 hours	24 hours
21 ° C or above	48	36	31	28	24
16 ° C or above	56	42	36	32	28
10 ° C or above	64	48	42	36	32

### 2.3.2 Heat treatment


Wood packaging materials must be heated to a minimum internal wood core temperature of 56 ° C for a minimum of 30 continuous minutes.

2.3.3 Wood packaging materials that have been treated by one of the methods already specified must be officially endorsed with a certified mark by the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of that country from which the wood packaging materials originates. The marks must be depicted by one of the shown examples as follows;


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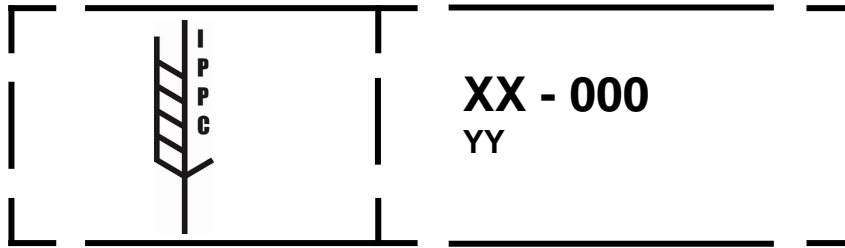
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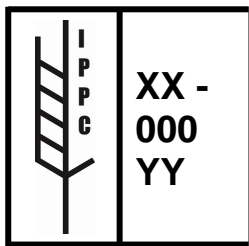
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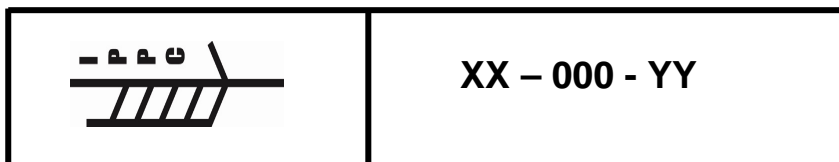
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2.3.4 The certified mark must have the following details :

- a) IPPC logo
- b) ISO two-letter country code  
(shown as "XX")

i.e. TH for Thailand

c) Official certification number code issued to the producer or treatment provider (shown as “000”)

d) Treatment code (shown as “yy”)

i.e. MB for methyl bromide ;

HT for heat

treatment

3. In case where the result of inspection is deemed by the Officer that it is in compliance with the rules, procedures and conditions of this Notification, the Officer shall issue Form P.Q. 6 to the importer for customs formalities clearance.

4. In case where the imported wood packaging materials are not in compliance with the requirements prescribed by the Director General, such commodity and wood packaging materials shall be subject to one of the following enforcement measures :

4.1 Refuse entry of imported commodity, in the case where wood packaging materials cannot be removed

from the commodity or the treatment may cause damage to the commodity.

4.2 Order treatment with methyl Bromide according to the rates specified in item 2.3.1, when the segregation of commodity and wood packaging materials is permitted to do so and the treatment may not cause any damage to the commodity.

4.3 Destroy such commodity and wood packaging materials when serious pest occurrence is found or it is not made possible for re-export.

5. The importer shall be liable for all incurred expenses in relation to treatment, destruction or other means of actions.

Promulgated on dated.....

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