



Australia - Khapra Beetle Update

Dear ,

We would like to inform you that the Australian Department of Agriculture has introduced mandatory offshore treatment requirements for target risk sea containers with effect from 12th April 2021 to protect against khapra beetle. Khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) is a destructive pest that can reproduce rapidly in stored products under hot conditions and is considered as a significant biosecurity risk to Australia. Kindly refer to appendix for the list of High Risk Plant Products & High Risk Countries.

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in export of the container upon arrival in Australia. All the costs will be on customer's account.

Targeted risk containers

- Full / Full consolidated box containing high risk plant products packed in a Khapra Beetle-risk country; implementation date: 12 April 2021
- Full / Full consolidated box packed in a Khapra Beetle-risk country AND destined for a rural grain growing area of Australia; mid-2021 (Date TBC).

Approved treatments

- Methyl bromide fumigation
- Heat treatment
- Insecticide spray

The following exclusions apply:

- Goods that are thermally processed that are commercially manufactured and packaged such as retorted, blanched, roasted, fried, par-boiled, boiled, puffed, malted or pasteurised goods

- Goods that are chemically processed and preserved such as with a Formalin Propionic Acid fixative, Formalin Acetic acid alcohol, Carnoy's fixative or ethanol.
- Fresh vegetables
- Commercially manufactured frozen or freeze-dried food (perishable foodstuffs only)
- Frozen plant samples for plant research (including through the use of liquid nitrogen and freeze drying)
- Oils derived from vegetables or seed
- Preserved or pickled (such as in vinegar or alcohol)
- Goods that have been refined or extracted to obtain specific components from plant-based raw materials. Examples include starch, lecithin, protein, cellulose, sugars and pigments.

[Appendix Australia \(213.3 KB, 3 Pages\)](#)

If you have any questions or comments, please contact your local [Hapag-Lloyd office](#) or send me an [email](#).

Best regards,



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