

§321.4 Applications for permits for importation of potatoes.

(a) Persons contemplating the importation of potatoes shall first make application to the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs, Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, for a permit, stating in the application the name and address of the exporter, the country and locality where grown, the port of departure (or port of consular invoice), the proposed port of entry, and the name and address of the importer in the United States to whom the permit should be sent.

(b) Applications for permits must be made in advance of the shipment of the potatoes.

(c) Applications may be made by telegraph, in which case the information required above must be given.

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§321.5 Permits for entry of potatoes.

(a) On approval by the Secretary of Agriculture of an application for the importation of potatoes a permit will be issued in quadruplicate. One copy of the permit will be furnished to the applicant, to be retained by him for presentation on the arrival of the imported potatoes to the customs officer at the port of entry named in the permit, one copy will be mailed to the collector at the port of entry, one to the inspector of the Department of Agriculture, and the fourth filed with the application. The beginning of the period for which a permit will be valid will be expressed in the permit. All permits will expire on the 30th day of June next after they become valid.

(b) Permits for the entry of potatoes may be refused and existing permits may be canceled on proof that the certificate of inspection does not correctly give the locality where the potatoes were grown, character of the shipment as to freedom from disease or insect infestation, or that the containers have been previously used for the shipment of potatoes.

§321.6 Foreign certificate of inspection.

(a) Each certificate shall give the number of the permit; the date of inspection; name and address of the exporter; the district or locality and the country where grown; name and address of consignee; a statement that the potatoes were grown in a district free from infection with potato wart and have been certified by a duly authorized official to be free from potato wart and other injurious potato diseases and insect pests, and that they are contained in bags, boxes, barrels, or other containers that have not previously been used for potatoes, except as to bulk shipments. The original certificate shall be signed and sealed by a responsible inspection official for the country of origin. The copy certificate may be entirely printed, including the seal. The form of such certificate shall be as follows:

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that the potatoes included in this shipment as per invoice attached, shipped under permit No. _____, consigned to _____ (Name and address of consignee) shipped by _____, (Name and address of exporter) were grown in _____, a (District or locality and country), a district free from infection with potato wart, are contained in bags, boxes, barrels, or other containers, except as to bulk shipments, not previously used for potatoes, and were certified by _____ (Name of inspector), _____ (Date and year), to be free from potato wart and other injurious potato diseases and insect pests.

[SEAL] (Signed) _____
(Title of official inspector) _____

(b) Permits may be canceled and further permits refused for the importation of potatoes from any country whenever such potatoes, in the judgment of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs, are found to be so infested as plainly to indicate that the foreign inspection is merely perfunctory.

(c) Lists of officials in foreign countries authorized to inspect potatoes, giving their names and official designations, will be furnished to collectors of customs through the Secretary of the Treasury.