§ 319.37–9 Approved packing material.

Any restricted article at the time of importation or offer for importation into the United States shall not be packed in a packing material unless the plants were packed in the packing material immediately prior to shipment; such packing material is free from sand, soil, or earth (except for sand designated below); has not been used previously as packing material or otherwise; and is listed below:

- Baked or expanded clay pellets.
- Buckwheat hulls.
- Coral sand from Bermuda, if the article packed in such sand is accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate of inspection containing an accurate additional declaration from the plant protection service of Bermuda that such sand was free from soil.
- Excelsior.
- Exfoliated vermiculite.
- Ground cork.
- Ground peat.
- Ground rubber.
- Paper.
- Perlite.
- Polymer stabilized cellulose.
- Quarry gravel.
- Rock wool.
- Sawdust.
- Shavings—wood or cork.
- Sphagnum moss.
- Stockosorb superabsorbent polymer
- Vegetable fiber when free of pulp, including coconut fiber and Osmunda fiber, but excluding sugarcane fiber and cotton fiber.
- Volcanic rock.

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§ 319.37–10 Marking and identity.

(a) Any restricted article for importation other than by mail, at the time of importation or offer for importation into the United States shall plainly and correctly bear on the outer container (if in a container) or the restricted article (if not in a container) the following information:

1. General nature and quantity of the contents.
2. Country and locality where grown.
3. Name and address of shipper, owner, or person shipping or forwarding the article.
4. Number of written permit authorizing the importation, if one was issued.
5. Identifying shipper’s mark and number, and
6. Number of written permit authorizing the importation if one was issued.

(b) Any restricted article for importation by mail shall be plainly and correctly addressed and mailed to the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs at a port of entry identified in §319.37–14, shall be accompanied by a separate sheet of paper within the package plainly and correctly bearing the name, address, and telephone number of the intended recipient, and shall plainly and correctly bear on the outer container the following information:

1. General nature and quantity of the contents,
2. Country and locality where grown,
3. Name and address of shipper, owner, or person shipping or forwarding the article, and
4. Number of written permit authorizing the importation, if one was issued.

(c) Any restricted article for importation (by mail or otherwise), at the time of importation or offer for importation into the United States shall be accompanied by an invoice or packing list indicating the contents of the shipment.

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§ 319.37–11 Arrival notification.

Promptly upon arrival of any restricted article at a port of entry, the importer shall notify the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs of the arrival by such means as a manifest, Customs entry document, commercial invoice, waybill, a broker’s document, or a notice form provided for that purpose.

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§ 319.37–12 Prohibited articles accompanying restricted articles.

A restricted article for importation into the United States shall not be
packed in the same container as an article prohibited importation into the United States by this part.

§ 319.37–13 Treatment and costs and charges for inspection and treatment; treatments applied outside the United States.

(a) The services of a Plant Protection and Quarantine inspector during regularly assigned hours of duty and at the usual places of duty shall be furnished without cost to the importer. No charge will be made to the importer for Government owned or controlled special inspection facilities and equipment used in treatment, but the inspector may require the importer to furnish any special labor, chemicals, packing materials, or other supplies required in handling an importation under the regulations in this subpart. The Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs will not be responsible for any costs or charges, other than those indicated in this section.

(b) Any treatment performed in the United States on a restricted article shall be performed by an inspector or under an inspector’s supervision at a government-operated special inspection facility, except that an importer may have such treatment performed at a nongovernmental facility if the treatment is performed at nongovernment expense under the supervision of an inspector and in accordance with any applicable treatment requirements of this subpart and in accordance with any treatment required by an inspector as an emergency measure in order to prevent the dissemination of any injurious plant disease, injurious insect pest, or other plant pest, new to or not theretofore known to be widely prevalent or distributed within and throughout the United States. However, treatment may be performed at a nongovernmental facility only in cases of unavailability of government facilities and only if, in the judgment of an inspector, such article can be transported to such nongovernmental facility without the risk of introduction into the United States of injurious plant diseases, injurious insect pests, or other plant pests.

(c) Any treatment performed outside the United States must be monitored and certified by an APHIS inspector or an official from the plant protection service of the exporting country. If monitored and certified by an official of the plant protection service of the exporting country, then a phytosanitary certificate must be issued with the following declaration: “The consignment of (fill in botanical name) has been treated in accordance with 7 CFR part 305.” During the entire interval between treatment and export, the consignment must be stored and handled in a manner that prevents any infestation by pests and Federal noxious weeds.

§ 319.37–14 Ports of entry.

Any restricted article required to be imported under a written permit pursuant to §319.37–3(a)(1) through (6) of this subpart, if not precleared, may be imported or offered for importation only at a USDA plant inspection station listed below. Ports of entry through which restricted articles must pass before arriving at these USDA plant inspection stations are listed in the second column. Any other restricted article that is not required to be imported under a written permit pursuant to §319.37–3(a)(1) through (6) of this subpart may be imported or offered for importation at any Customs designated port of entry indicated in 19 CFR 101.3(b)(1). Exceptions may be listed in §330.104 of this chapter. Articles that are required to be imported under a written permit that are also precleared in the country of export are not required to enter at an inspection station and may enter through any Customs port of entry. Exceptions may be listed in §330.104 of this chapter.

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