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CUSTOMER ADVISORY

BROWN MARMORATED STINK BUG (BMSB)

RISK SEASON 2018-19

The Department of Agriculture have released their final seasonal measures for the 2018 Brown Marmorated Stink bug season.

There are some significant changes from last years measures, as well as an expanded list of countries now affected. Effective sailing on or after the 1st September 2018, all target high risk cargo manufactured or shipped from target risk countries must be treated by an approved treatment provider. Full details of the DAWR notice can be found at

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

The seasonal measures will apply for goods shipped on or between

**1st September 2018 and 30th April 2019**

from the following countries;

United States of America | Italy | Germany | France |Russia | Greece | Hungary | Romania | Georgia

with Japan vessel surveillance only at this stage

The following goods / tariffs chapters are considered **High Risk** and require MANDATORY treatment.

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

Mandatory **offshore treatment** is required for target high risk goods shipped as LCL, BB, Open Top or Flat Rack. Failure to comply with offshore treatment on targeted goods will result in re-export or destruction.

Mandatory treatment (onshore or offshore) is required for target high risk goods shipped as FCL.

Any customers who are importing commodities that fall under the target risk goods from target risk countries (manufactured or shipped) should be speaking with their suppliers to discuss offshore treatment options.

All offshore treatment providers must be approved by the DAWR. Details of the treatment methods and the offshore providers can be found here

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

If your consignment arrives with a treatment certificate from a company that is not an approved treatment provider, it will either be re-fumigated (FCL / FCX) or re-exported / destroyed.

Export or destruction of target high risk goods requiring mandatory offshore treatment and arriving untreated, or treated by an unapproved treatment provider, unless exceptional circumstances are granted.

Target risk goods will be subject to increased onshore intervention through random inspection and will be directed for onshore treatment if BMSB is detected.

Random inspection of goods after treatment to validate the effectiveness of treatments.

Random inspection of goods from all other emerging BMSB risk countries.

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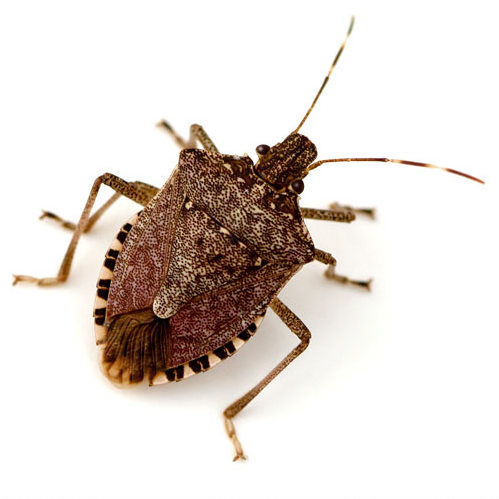
Additionally, the department has outlined a list of commodities considered as a **Target Risk**.

Goods in this category will be subject to increased onshore intervention through random inspection. If BMSB is detected, the goods will be directed for onshore treatment.

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

We realise that this may be a long, and fairly complex range of situations to get your heads around, so please – as always, do not hesitate to contact us with the subject BMSB queries and we will answer any of your questions.

Oh, and if you’re curious as to what has caused all of this trouble, here’s a pic of the little fella.



If you are interested to learn more about this insect and the impact which it may have on our environment please [**click here**](http://www.precisionforwarding.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Precision-Newsletter-2018-02.pdf)



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