



# Canadian Lumbermen's Association / l'Association Canadienne de l'Industrie du Bois

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## COMMUNIQUÉ: Phytosanitary Issues

### EMERALD ASH BORER

The European Union recently updated their requirements related to Emerald Ash Borer (*Agrilus planipennis*) for plants and wood products of *Fraxinus L.*, *Juglans mandshurica*, *Ulmus davidiana*, *Ulmus parvifolia*, and *Pterocarya rhoifolia* as expressed in 2009/7/EC (Feb 10, 2009)

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:040:0012:0018:EN:PDF>

Effective April 1, 2009 products entering any European Union member state must comply with the following:

**Plants intended for planting** (other plants in tissue culture and seeds): Phytosanitary certificate stating either

- (a) have been grown throughout their life in an area free from *Agrilus planipennis*, established by the NPPO in accordance with relevant ISPMs; or
- (b) have, for a period of at least two years prior to export, been grown in a place of production where no signs of *Agrilus planipennis* have been observed during two official inspections per year carried out at appropriate times, including immediately prior to export.

**Wood** (other than chips, wood packaging material): Phytosanitary certificate stating either:

- (a) originates in an area established by the NPPO in the country of export as being free from *Agrilus planipennis* in accordance with the relevant ISPMs; or
- (b) is squared so as to remove entirely the round surface

**Wood in the form of chips and isolated bark:** Phytosanitary certificate stating either:

- (a) originates in an area established by the NPPO in the country of export as being free from *Agrilus planipennis* in accordance with the relevant ISPMs; or
- (b) has been processed into pieces of not more than 2.5cm thickness and width

**CFIA will be enforcing compliance to this standard.**

### SIREX WOOD WASP

A draft copy of the CFIA directive "**Phytosanitary Requirements to Prevent the Introduction into and Spread Within Canada of *Sirex noctilio Fabricius***" can be downloaded at: [http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/sirex\\_draft.pdf](http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/sirex_draft.pdf)

**Issue:**

- CFIA intends to regulate against the Sirex noctilio pest to prevent its movement from regulated areas of US and Canada into non-regulated areas
- This is currently intended for PQ and Ontario (areas listed in the document) but it shows what needs to be done when we are faced with an Invasive Pest
- **Un-treated** Pine products and their movement are being regulated – including logs, log homes, lumber, chips, WPM, firewood etc

**Requirements Being Proposed by CFIA include:**

- Sirex Woodwasp Compliance program for facilities
- Low risk and High risk timeframes
- Transportation and Inspection of regulated products
- Phytosanitary Certificates – and pasteurization options
- All of the above linked to movements to, from, and/or within “regulated” and “non-regulated” areas – on both sides of the Border.

**Responding to this CFIA Directive - Suggestions:**

- For those of you **who ARE directly affected**, you have a chance to respond to this CFIA Draft Directive and provide comments or suggestions
- Comments can be sent via 2 options:
  - Send to CFIA’s Joanne Rousson at [joanne.rousseau@inspection.gc.ca](mailto:joanne.rousseau@inspection.gc.ca) OR,
  - To Canada Wood’s Eastern Phytosanitary Rep (part time Phyto Specialist for Canada Wood) at [denis.rousseau@cifq.gc.ca](mailto:denis.rousseau@cifq.gc.ca)
- For those of you **who are NOT directly affected**, I would recommend you review this Directive and give some thought IF it would work for you IF or WHEN we are faced with an Invasive Species in your Region or locale. And you might want to comment on smoothing out the requirements to fit the commercial perspectives.

**2009 APPROVED INSECT PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Jack Pine Budworm)**

A copy of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) notice “**2009 Approved Insect Pest Management Program**” can be downloaded at:

English: [http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/notice\\_mrn.pdf](http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/notice_mrn.pdf)

French: [http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/avis\\_mrn.pdf](http://www.cla-ca.ca/pdf/comm/avis_mrn.pdf)

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