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Plant exports guide—inspection techniques for lumber products

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Purpose of this document

This document has been written for authorised officers (AOs) as a reference guide on techniques to use when inspecting lumber products for export.

Before you start

Before starting their inspection, the AO ensures that they:

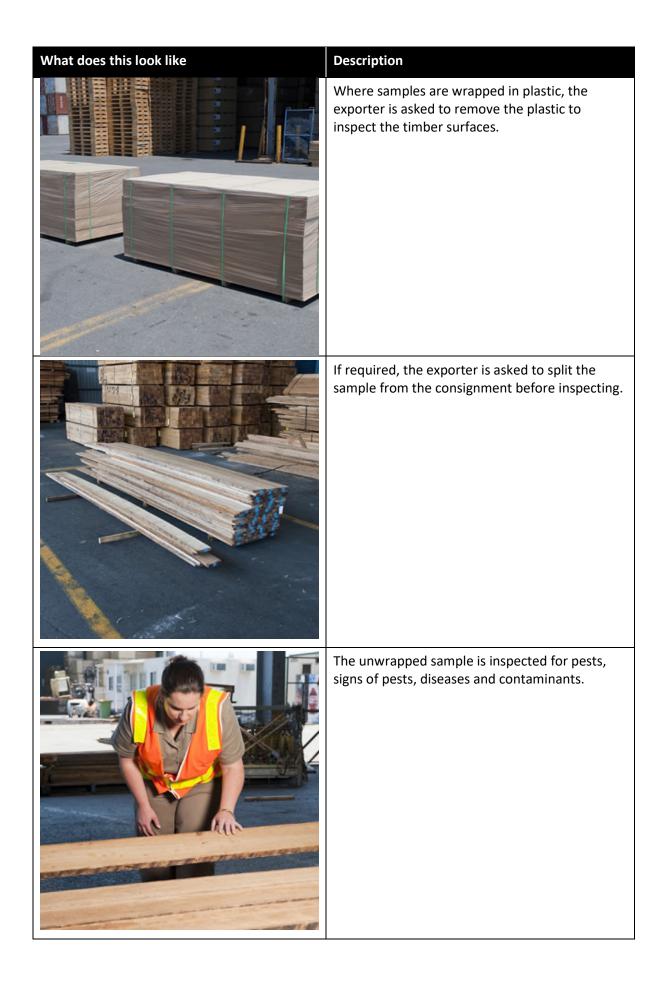
- check the importing country requirements to determine the requirements for the inspection
- have the correct inspection equipment
- have access to PEMS
- wear appropriate personal protective equipment
- have the current relevant instructional and reference material.

Inspecting lumber products

The following table illustrates and describes methods of taking samples of lumber products for inspection.



What does this look like	Description
	The area between the partitions is inspected.
	The surfaces and ends of all samples are inspected for pests, signs of pests, diseases and contaminants. Suitable equipment, such as torches should be used to probe and inspect crevices.
	Any signs of pests or contaminants are further examined.



Related material

- Export Control Act 2020
- Export Control (Plants and Plant Products) Rules 2021
- Manual of Importing Country Requirement (Micor Plants)
- Plant exports operations manual (PEOM)
 - Guideline: Inspection of forest products for export
 - Work Instruction: Inspecting forest products for export
 - Reference: Plant exports guide equipment
 - Reference: Plant exports guide specimen collection

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