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§ 319.37 Prohibitions and restrictions on importation; disposal of articles refused importation.

(a) No person shall import or offer for entry into the United States any prohibited article, except as otherwise provided in § 319.37–2(c) of this subpart. No person shall import or offer for entry into the United States any restricted article except in accordance with this subpart.

(b) The importer of any article denied entry for noncompliance with this subpart must, at the importer's expense and within the time specified in an emergency action notification (PPQ Form 523), destroy, ship to a point outside the United States, or apply treatments or other safeguards to the article, as prescribed by an inspector to prevent the introduction into the United States of plant pests. In choosing which action to order and in setting the time limit for the action, the inspector shall consider the degree of pest risk presented by the plant pest associated with the article, whether the article is a host of the pest, the types of other host materials for the pest in or near the port, the climate and season at the port in relation to the pest's survival range, and the availability of treatment facilities for the article.

(c) No person shall remove any restricted article from the port of first arrival unless and until a written notice is given to the collector of customs by the inspector that the restricted article has satisfied all requirements under this subpart.

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§ 319.37–1 Definitions.

Terms used in the singular form in this subpart shall be construed as the plural, and vice versa, as the case may demand. The following terms, when used in this subpart, shall be construed, respectively, to mean:

Bulb. The portion of a plant commonly known as a bulb, bulbil, bulblet, corm, cormel, rhizome, tuber, or pip, and including fleshy roots or other underground fleshy growths, a unit of which produces an individual plant.

Clean well water. Well water that does not contain plant pathogens or other plant pests.

Deputy Administrator. The Deputy Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture for the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs, or any other officer or employee of the Department to whom authority to act in his/her stead has been or may hereafter be delegated.

Disease. The term in addition to its common meaning, includes a disease agent which incites a disease.

Earth. The softer matter composing part of the surface of the globe, in distinction from the firm rock, and including the soil and subsoil, as well as finely divided rock and other soil formation materials down to the rock layer.

Europe. The continent of Europe, the British Isles, Iceland, the Azores, and the islands in the Mediterranean Sea.

From. An article is considered to be "from" any country or locality in which it was grown. *Provided*, That an article imported into Canada from another country or locality shall be considered as being solely from Canada if it meets the following conditions:

(a) It is imported into the United States directly from Canada after having been grown for at least 1 year in Canada,

(b) It has never been grown in a country from which it would be a prohibited article or grown in a country other than Canada from which it would be subject to conditions of § 319.37–5 (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), or (m) of this subpart, or subject to conditions of § 319.37–6 of this subpart,

(c) It was not grown in a country or locality from which it would be subject to conditions of § 319.37–7 of this subpart unless it was grown in Canada under postentry growing conditions equivalent to those specified in § 319.37–7[3] of this subpart, and

[3] Currently only *Chaenomoles* spp. (flowering quince), *Cydonia* spp. (quince), *Malus* spp. (apple, crabapple); *Prunus* spp. (almond, apricot, cherry, cherry laurel, English laurel, nectarine, peach, plum, prune) and *Pyrus* spp. (pear) are required under the laws of Canada to be grown in Canada under such equivalent conditions after importation.