

Sea Container Biennial Quarantine Declarations

1. Quarantine declarations for containers may be approved on a 2-yearly basis in situations where an exporter regularly supplies the same type of containerised cargo to an importer in New Zealand. Biennial QDs are only able to be used for cargo that does not require treatment for BMSB (and therefore sealing) under the Vehicles and Machinery or Sea Container Import Health Standards.
2. These declarations must include all the details shown in the example Biennial Quarantine Declaration at the end of this document.
 - Biennial quarantine declarations must be completed by the exporter, printed on the exporter's letterhead, and signed by the exporting company.
 - The exporter name, exporter code, importer name and importer code used when the Import Entry is lodged on arrival in New Zealand must be included in lieu of the container number, vessel name and voyage number.
 - The importer and exporter code can be obtained by the NZ Customs Agent who usually organises the clearance of the consignments.
3. If wood packaging is used in the containers it must be ISPM 15 compliant.
www.mpi.govt.nz/dmsdocument/1212-Wood-Packaging-Material-from-All-Countries-Import-Health-Standard
4. Use of a Biennial Quarantine Declaration requires MPI approval.
A copy of the Biennial QD requiring MPI approval may be submitted with first shipment through TSW. Use "Manual Biosecurity Referral" in TSW if the consignment has low risk items and would normally not come through to our queue for processing. Use the comment "Biennial QD for approval".
5. Target Evaluation will check the documentation and if conforming will provide a BACC and email a copy of the approval Biennial QD to the submitter, for use on subsequent applications.
 - The costs for carrying out this documentation check and approval will be charged to the importer.
6. A copy of this biennial quarantine declaration should be held with the commercial documentation for each consignment that used it to clear. The biennial quarantine declaration must be presented to Biosecurity New Zealand when requested.
7. When the declaration expires the applicant must repeat the process or obtain individual quarantine declarations for each subsequent container.
8. Consignments cleared using a biennial quarantine declaration will be subject to the same audit processes as other consignments.
www.mpi.govt.nz/dmsdocument/1619-Audit-of-Sea-Containers-Requirements

Biennial Quarantine Declaration for Sea Containers entering New Zealand

(Note: This multiple-use Quarantine Declaration is limited to a single Exporter / Importer pathway.)

Importer:

City:

Importer Customs Code:

Exporter:

Country:

Exporter Customs Code:

CLEANLINESS, RESTRICTED PACKING AND PACKAGING DECLARATION

1. Cleanliness

At the time of packing, the container/s are inspected internally and externally, and are clean and free from contamination with live organisms, material of plant or animal origin, soil, and water

Yes No

2. Packaging Materials

Is any soil, peat, raw green or contaminated moss, used sacking material or tyres, hay, straw, chaff, or any packing material contaminated with the above been used within the containers

Yes No

3. Wood Packaging

Has any wood packaging been used within the container/s such as cases, crates, pallets, or wood used to separate, brace, protect or secure cargo in transit?

Yes No

3a. If yes to question 3, has the wood been ISPM 15 treated and marked or is the packaging made from material exempt from these requirements (such as plywood or medium density fibreboard)?

Yes No

Certification is not required for ISPM 15 treated and marked wood packaging.

3b. If **No** to 3a above will the wood packaging be treated in some other manner?

Yes No

Important Guidance Information for Containers that Require Treatment

Containers that require treatment, either for the contents or the container itself, should be packed with sufficient space for the appropriate treatment to be effective and compliant, please contact your Treatment Provider to discuss packing requirements for the treatments.

I certify that the declaration above is true and correct.

Signed: _____

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Company and Title: _____

Biosecurity New Zealand use only

Approved

Not approved

Approval expires on: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____

Signed: _____

Official stamp