



Official (CFIA) Forestry Notice

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MEMORANDUM TO:

Masters of Marine Vessels Calling on Canadian Ports
B.C. Chamber of Shipping
Canadian Federation of Shipping

SUBJECT: ASIAN GYPSY MOTH CERTIFICATION FOR MARINE VESSELS ENTERING CANADIAN PORTS

Full enforcement of the certification and entry requirements for marine vessels arriving from the historically regulated areas below is in force as follows:

For marine vessels arriving in Canada from March 1 to October 15, 2011, all marine vessels that have visited ports located in the Russian Far East and the Japanese ports of Ooita, Hiroshima, Hannan, Kobe, Shimizu, Sakata, Otaru, Hachinohe, Hakadate, and Tomakomai during specified periods of risk in 2010 and 2011 for Asian gypsy moth (AGM) must provide to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) the following:

- **96-hour advance notice of arrival**
- **list of previous ports of call over the last two years**
- **valid Phytosanitary Certificate or other approved certificate**

For the west coast, provide above information and documents by e-mail to BC_Asiangypsymoth@inspection.gc.ca or fax to 604-666-1156.

For the east coast, provide above information and documents by e-mail to AGM.Atlantic@inspection.gc.ca or fax to 902-426-5147.

The certificate must state that the vessel was inspected and found free from AGM from the last port of call in a regulated area during the specified risk period. A vessel without the required certification may not be permitted entry into Canada. CFIA may conduct inspections at remote anchorages as an alternative to refusing entry. All costs linked to the disruption of loading/unloading schedules and commitments are the responsibility of the vessel's owner. Vessels found to be non-compliant with Canadian legislation may be subject to enforcement action up to and including prosecution.

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The regulated areas have been expanded in Japan, Korea and China. Recognizing that 2011 is a transition period, vessels arriving in these areas this year during the specified risk periods for the region should obtain a Phytosanitary Certificate or other approved certification in anticipation of the 2012 requirements.

Full enforcement of the certification and entry requirements for marine vessels arriving from the expanded regulated area will start March 1st, 2012.

The expanded areas include all ports located in Japan, the Republic of Korea, and all ports north of Shanghai in the People's Republic of China.

Certificates must be obtained if you visit a regulated area of Russia, Japan, the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea within the "specified period" listed in the table below. The "specified period" is when the AGM female is flying and laying eggs. These "specified periods" vary within the regulated areas and are as follows:

Country	Port or Prefecture	Specified Period
Russian Far East	Nakhodka, Ol'ga, Plastun, Pos'yet, Russkiy Island, Slavyanka, Vanino, Vladivostok Vostochny, Zarubino, Kozmino	July 1 to September 30
People's Republic of China	All ports in northern China, including all ports north of Shanghai	June 1 to September 30
Republic of Korea	All ports	June 1 to September 30
Japan – Northern	Hokkaido, Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima	July 1 to September 30
Japan Western	Akita, Yamagata, Niigata, Toyama, Ishikawa	June 25 to September 15
Japan - Eastern	Fukui, Ibaraki, Chiba, Tokyo, Kanagawa, Shizuoka, Aichi, Mie	June 20 to August 20
Japan - Southern	Wakayama, Osaka, Kyoto, Hyogo, Tottori, Shimane, Okayama, Hiroshima, Yamaguchi, Kagawa, Tokushima, Ehime, Kochi, Fukuoka, Oita, Saga, Nagasaki, Miyazaki, Kumamoto, Kagoshima	June 1 to August 10
Japan - Far Southern	Okinawa	May 25 to June 30

To protect Canadian forests, the CFIA is committed to preventing the introduction of Asian gypsy moth from foreign ports and to ensure all incoming vessels from regulated ports have been inspected and certified free from the pest by a recognized authority.

Beginning 2012, enforcement action will be taken on vessels that called on ports within the expanded area in the specified periods for 2011 onwards. Marine vessels entering Canada in 2012 without approved certification will be non-compliant and subject to regulatory action. More information on penalties associated with Asian gypsy moth regulation can be obtained from your Canadian ship agent.

For information on obtaining approved certification in ports located in the regulated areas, please contact your agents in Russia, Japan, China and Korea.

Further information can also be obtained from D-95-03: Asian Gypsy Moth (*Lymantria dispar* L.) - Plant Protection Policy for Marine Vessels (<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/protect/dir/d-95-03e.shtml#e2>) or from the CFIA Forestry Specialists listed below:

British Columbia ports: Nancy Kummen, Senior Forestry Specialist, Telephone Number: 250-470-5048 or e-mail: nancy.kummen@inspection.gc.ca

Atlantic ports: Gregg Cunningham, Senior Forestry Specialist, Telephone Number: 902-426-1393 or e-mail: gregg.cunningham@inspection.gc.ca

Quebec ports: Jean-Guy Champagne, Senior Forestry Specialist, Telephone Number: 514-283-3815 extension 4341 or e-mail: jean-guy.champagne@inspection.gc.ca

Ontario ports: Loretta Shields, Senior Forestry Specialist, Telephone Number: 905-937-8285 or e-mail: loretta.shields@inspection.gc.ca



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