

Transporters! Help stop Asian Bees coming into NSW







Report sightings of bees or swarms of bees on any truck/vehicle or vehicle load

The problem:

- An Asian bee incursion is currently in the Cairns region.
- Colonies of Asian bees are proven hitchhikers on boats, trains and trucks particularly on cargo.
- Asian bees could get into NSW and pose a major risk to agriculture, the environment and the public.

What to look for:

- A colony or swarm of bees is likely to be the size of a base ball or bigger.
- The Asian bee is about 2/3rds the size of a honey bee.
- Flying insects, particularly 3 or 4 around the same location.
- Asian bees are cavity nesting bees and prefer to establish a new colony in a confined space.
- Asian bees are capable of stinging and should be treated with caution.

How to help

If you notice what might be Asian bees on your vehicle or load

Contact the emergency animal disease hot line **1800 675 888** with any suspect sightings of this insect.

Further Information: Primefact No.1093 Asian bees (www.dpi.nsw.gov.au)