CERTIFICATION ASSURANCE PROCEDURE CA-26

CLEANING, INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION OF EMPTY FRUIT FLY HOST PRODUCE BINS

1. SCOPE
This procedure sets out the conditions to allow a business to certify that empty fruit fly host produce bins are clean and free of soil and any residual fruit fly host produce.

Note: Bins that have contained only phylloxera host produce can continue to be moved by businesses accredited under ICA-33. In those circumstances, additional accreditation under CA-26 is not required.

2. CONDITIONS OF ACCREDITATION
The business must ensure that the following conditions are met:

2.1 Cleaning
2.1.1 Prior to dispatch, all fruit fly host produce bins must be thoroughly cleaned internally and externally and all soil and residual fruit fly host produce removed. Particular attention is to be given to frames, lugs and the underside of the bins.

2.2 Inspection
2.2.1 Within 48 hours of cleaning, all fruit fly host produce bins must be inspected internally and externally for the presence of any soil or residual fruit fly host produce. Particular attention is to be given to frames, lugs and the underside of the bins.

2.2.2 If any soil or residual fruit fly host produce is found during the inspection, the bin must be rejected for certification under this procedure.

2.3 Records
2.3.1 The following records must be made and kept for 4 years:
   (a) A cleaning and inspection record for each load of fruit fly host produce bins (Attachment 1). The record must include:
       • a description of the bins and number of bins cleaned
       • the date and time of cleaning
       • the date and time of inspection, and
       • the name and signature of the person undertaking the inspection.
   (b) A current property plan that clearly indicates the areas where the empty bins:
       • are awaiting cleaning under this procedure

Disclaimer
The information contained in this Procedure is based on knowledge and understanding at the time of writing (January 2020). However, because of advances in knowledge, users are reminded of the need to ensure that information upon which they rely is up-to-date and to check currency of the information with the appropriate officer of the Department or the user's independent adviser.
• have been cleaned and are awaiting inspection
• have been cleaned and inspected and are awaiting certification
• have been cleaned, inspected and certified, and
• are not intended for certification under this procedure.

2.4 Traceability

2.4.1 A system must be implemented for the identification and segregation of fruit fly host produce bins that:
(a) are awaiting cleaning under this procedure
(b) have been cleaned and are awaiting inspection
(c) have been cleaned and inspected and are awaiting certification
(d) have been cleaned, inspected and certified, and
(d) are not intended for certification under this procedure.

2.4.2 All clean and inspected fruit fly host produce bins must be stored and handled in a manner that prevents re-contamination with fruit fly host produce.

2.5 Certification

2.5.1 Only fruit fly host produce bins that are cleaned, inspected and found free of soil and residual fruit fly host produce may be certified under this procedure.

2.5.2 The words “meets CA-26” must be included in the treatment details section of the PHAC (Attachment 2).

2.5.3 A full description of the bins must be included in the type of package details section of the PHAC.

2.5.4 PHACs must be duly completed, issued and distributed in accordance with the work instruction:

WI-01 Guidelines for the completion of Plant Health Assurance Certificates.

NOTE: Books of pre-printed PHACs are available from Biosecurity Certification, Department of Primary Industries, phone 02 6552 3000. Upon suspension, cancellation or withdrawal of accreditation, the PHAC book must be immediately returned to the Department.

3. DEFINITIONS

In this Procedure:

Act means the Biosecurity Act 2015.

Business means the legal entity accredited as a biosecurity certifier under the Act.

Certification Assurance Arrangement means an arrangement that enables a biosecurity certifier or a person authorised under a corresponding law of a State or Territory to issue a PHAC that meets certain plant health quarantine conditions for trade within the State or between the State and other States or Territories.

Fruit fly host produce means any fruit fly hosts recognised in the relevant State or Territory legislation.

Fruit fly host produce bin means a produce bin that has previously transported fruit fly host produce.
**PHAC** means a Plant Health Assurance Certificate that is issued in accordance with the requirements of a Certification Assurance Arrangement.

4. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

*Biosecurity Act 2015*

ICA scheme  

Policies  

Accreditation of Biosecurity Certifiers

Biosecurity Audit Frequency

*Work Instruction*  

**WI-01 – Guidelines for Completion of Plant Health Assurance Certificates**

Certification under this Procedure may not be an accepted quarantine entry condition for all bins to all intrastate and interstate markets.

It is the responsibility of the Business consigning the bins to ensure compliance with all applicable quarantine requirements.

Information on intrastate and interstate quarantine requirements can be obtained by phoning 1800 084 881 or accessing [http://www.interstatequarantine.org.au/](http://www.interstatequarantine.org.au/).

5. **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1  Example of a Bin cleaning and inspection record

Attachment 2  Example of a completed PHAC

**REVISION HISTORY**

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Example of a completed PHAC

**Plant Health Assurance Certificate**

*A biosecurity certificate issued under Part 13 of the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015*

All accreditation details must be completed. Please print clearly and initial any alterations.

### Consignor Details
- **Name:** Smith and Sons
- **Address:** 117 Black Rd, Dareton
- **State:** NSW, Postcode: 2717

### Certifying Details
- **IP Number:** 1743
- **Facility Number:** 1
- **Procedure:** CA-26

**Accredited Business that prepared produce**
- **Name:** Smith and Sons
- **Address:** 117 Black Rd, Dareton
- **State:** NSW, Postcode: 2717

### Consignor (If applicable)
- **Name:** Smith and Sons
- **Address:** 117 Black Rd, Dareton
- **State:** NSW, Postcode: 2717

### Recommission to:
- **Name:** Jones and Co
- **Address:** 62 Jones Rd, Gumer
- **State:** SA, Postcode: 5118

### Grower(s) (If more than one grower – attach list)
- **Name:**
- **Address:**
- **State:**
- **Postcode:**

### Number of Packages | Type of Packages (e.g. boxes, cartons) | Type of Produce
--- | --- | ---
1 | 26 | pallets empty blue chip
2
3
4

### Treatment Details
- **Date:** 29/11/20
- **Chemical (Active Ingredient), Concentration, Duration, Temperature:** CA-26

### Declaration

I am a person authorised under the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015 to issue this biosecurity certificate and hereby certify that the details shown above are true and correct and the procedure(s) listed above have been completed.

**Bill Smith**

**Note:** A person who provides false or misleading information on a biosecurity certificate is guilty of an offence under the Act. Such action could result in a penalty infringement notice or prosecution. The maximum penalty for an individual is $1,100,000, and the maximum penalty for a corporation is $2,200,000. This information is collected by the certifying agency identified in this form in relation to its functions under the Biosecurity Act 2015. This agency is the NSW Department of Industry may use and disclose this information as reasonably necessary for the purpose of performing biosecurity risk functions under, or reasonably contemplated by, the Biosecurity Act 2015.

ATTACHMENT 2