

**TNT GLOBAL UPDATE on U.S. CUSTOMS CLEARANCE CHANGES BASED  
on THE LACEY ACT REVISIONS**

US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Federal Register;[Docket No. APHIS-2008-0119]  
Implementation of Revised Lacey Act Provisions will be mandatory April 1, 2009. It will be implemented in a phased approach. Below are the requirements effective immediately and enforcement on April 1, 2009 when and Customs/APHIS automated solution is provided.

*This applies only on consignments valued greater than \$ 2,000 USD.*

The Importer is not required to file an Import Declaration for importing any of the following:

1. Any wild member of the plant kingdom, including roots, seeds, parts, or products thereof, and including trees from either natural or planted forest stands

**Except:**

2. Common cultivars, except trees, and common food crops (including roots, seeds, parts, or products thereof);
3. \* Scientific specimens of plant genetic material (including roots, seeds, germplasm, parts, or products thereof) that are to be used only for laboratory or field research;
4. \* Plants that are to remain planted or to be planted or replanted; or 4. Plants used exclusively as packaging material to support, protect, or carry another item, unless the packaging material itself is the item being imported.

**\* You must still complete this form if you are importing plants described under 3. and 4., that are listed:**

[http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health/lacey\\_act/index.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/index.shtml)

**Declaration:**

Attached to the form is a complete definition of each field that requires completion.

[http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health/lacey\\_act/downloads/declarationform.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/downloads/declarationform.pdf)

**Phase II – Harmonized Tariff Codes effected April 1, 2009 Import Declaration / Impacted HTS codes**

4401--(Fuel wood).....  
4403--(Wood in the4405--(Wood wool 4801(Newsprint).rough).[excelsior]).  
4404--(Hoop wood; 4410--(Particle 4802--(Uncoated poles, piles, stakes). board).writing paper).  
4406--(Railway or 4411--(Fiberboard of 4803--(Toilet or tramway sleepers).wood).facial tissue stock).  
4407--(Wood sawn or 4412--(Plywood, 4804--(Uncoated kraft chipped lengthwise)  
4408--(Other uncoated veneering).wood).paper and board).  
4409--(Wood 4414--(Wooden frames) 4806--(Vegetable continuously shaped).parchment, etc.).  
4417--(Tools, tool 4415--(Packing cases, 4807--(Composite handles, broom boxes, crates, paper and board).  
handles).drums).  
4418--(Builders'4416--(Casks,4808--(Corrugated joinery and carpentry barrels, vats, tubs).paper and board). of wood).

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4402--(Wood charcoal) Ch. 48 Headings (paper & articles of).  
4419--(Tableware & 4809--(Carbon paper).kitchenware, of wood).  
4420--(Wood 4810--(Coated paper marquetry; caskets; and board).statuettes).

Ch. 47 Headings (wood 4811--(paper coated, pulp.etc., other than 4803, 4809, or 4810).

4701--(Mechanical Ch. 94 Headings wood pulp).(furniture, etc.)  
4702--(Chemical wood 940169 (seats with pulp, dissolving).  
4703--(Chemical wood 940330 (wooden office pulp, sulfate)  
4704--(Chemical wood 940340 (wooden pulp, sulfite).  
4705--(Combination 940350 (wooden mechanical and chemical

Plus all of Phase II

Attached is the APHIS presentation that could be used as a training tool for Customers and Employees.



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