








## IPPC ISPM 15 International Standard for Wood Packaging Summary of Requirements by Country

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Country or Region	IPPC ISPM 15 Enforcement Date	Current Requirements for Wood Packaging	Country Agency of Regulations
Argentina 	January 1, 2006	Originally announced intentions to WTO on 4/27/05, stating "All wood packaging and/or support material and dunnage entering or in transit through Argentina must be treated and certified by means of the corresponding mark in accordance with ISPM 15." A subsequent WTO announcement addendum on 11/16/05 stated that the original Resolution was adopted and the measure entered into full force on January 1, 2006.	<a href="#">National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service (SENASA)</a>
Australia 	September 1, 2004	Dual system of regulations in place for wood packaging, (a) ISPM 15 compliant and stamped, or (b) regulations in place prior to implementation of ISPM 15 on September 1, 2004. Parallel standards offered to ensure continued market access for wood packaging from countries not in position to comply with ISPM 15. <b>IPPC-stamped wood packaging must also be "free of bark" and accompanied by a declaration form from the supplier attesting to these requirements (see useful links below for appendix pages of the AQIS Quarantine Aspects Procedures). See important DUNNAGE marking requirements under the "Dunnage Information" section below.</b>  <a href="#">To view the entire AQIS regulations (revised March 15, 2006) and download a copy of the necessary declaration forms, click here to refer to the "Useful Website Links" section located at bottom of this table.</a>	<a href="#">Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS)</a>
Bolivia 	July 24, 2005	Official announcement forwarded to USDA APHIS and WTO on July 4, 2005 regarding their intentions for implementation of ISPM 15. <b>At this point, they are requiring the wood packaging to be constructed from debarked wood.</b>	<a href="#">Servicio Nacional de Sanidad Agropecuaria y Inocuidad Alimentaria (SENASAG)</a>

Brazil 	June 1, 2005	According to USDA APHIS, Brazil has adopted ISPM 15 regulations, effective June 1, 2005. <b>In addition, wood packaging material must be free from signs of live pest infestation.</b>	<a href="#">Secretaria de Defesa Agropecuaria</a>
Bulgaria 	June 1, 2006	An official notice of adoption and implementation of ISPM 15 requirements by Bulgaria was released by WTO on 2/22/06. It states, "wood packaging entering Bulgaria must be treated and certified in accordance with the standards established in IPPC ISPM 15."	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, National Plant Protection Service (no link)

**Useful Website Links:**

The **ISPM 15** document may be viewed and downloaded by clicking [here](#).

For the **Australia (AQIS)** document "Cargo Containers: Quarantine Aspects and Procedures", click [here](#).

**Glossary of Acronyms:**

ALSC	American Lumber Standard Committee
APHIS	USDA Animal Plant Health Inspection Service
AQIS	Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
WTO	World Trade Organization