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product designated as a restricted article and grown in a country maintaining an official system of inspection for the purpose of determining whether such article is free from injurious plant diseases, injurious insect pests, and other plant pests shall be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate of inspection from the plant protection service of such country at the time of importation or offer for importation into the United States. Such certificate may cover more than one article and more than one container kept together during shipment and offer for importation.

(b) Any nursery stock, plant, fruit, vegetable, root, bulb, seed, or other plant product designated as a restricted article which is accompanied by a valid phytosanitary certificate of inspection is subject to inspection by an inspector at the time of importation into the United States for the purpose of determining whether such article is free of injurious plant diseases, injurious insect pests, and other plant pests, and whether such article is otherwise eligible to be imported into the United States.

(c) Any nursery stock, plant, fruit, vegetable, root, bulb, seed, or other plant product designated as a restricted article and grown in a country not maintaining an official system of inspection for the purpose of determining whether such article is free from injurious plant diseases, or injurious insect pests, and other plant pests shall be inspected by an inspector at the time of importation into the United States for the purpose of determining whether such article is free of such diseases and pests and whether such article is otherwise eligible to be imported into the United States.

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Subpart—Exotic Bee Diseases and Parasites

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§319.76 Restrictions on importation of restricted articles; disposal of articles refused importation.

- (a) No person may import any restricted article unless in conformity with all of the restrictions in this subpart.
- (b) Any article refused importation for noncompliance with the requirements of this subpart shall be promptly removed from the United States or abandoned by the importer, and pending such action shall be subject to the immediate application of such safeguards against escape of plant pests as the inspector determines necessary to prevent the introduction into the United States of plant pests. If such article is not promptly safeguarded, removed from the United States, or abandoned for destruction by the importer, it may be seized, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of in accordance with sections 105 and 107 of the Federal Plant Pest Act (7 U.S.C. 150dd, 150ff).
- (c) A restricted article may be imported without complying with other provisions under this subpart if:
- (1) Imported by the U.S. Department of Agruculture for experimental or scientific purposes;
- (2) Imported at the Plant Germplasm Quarantine Center, Building 320, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center East, Beltsville MD 20705, or at a port of entry designated by an asterisk in §319.37–14(b):
- (3) Imported pursuant to a departmental permit issued for such article and kept on file at the port of entry;
- (4) Imported under conditions specified on the departmental permit and found by the Deputy Administrator to be adequate to prevent the introduction into the United States of plant pests, i.e., conditions of treatment, processing, shipment, disposal; and
- (5) Imported with a departmental tag or label securely attached to the outside of the container or securely attached to the article itself if not in a container, and with such tag or label

bearing the name of the person to whom the permit is issued.

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§ 319.76-1 Definitions.

Terms used in the singular form in this subpart shall be construed as the plural, and vice versa, as the case may demand. The following terms, when used in this subpart, shall be construed respectively, to mean:

Bee. Any member of the superfamily Apoidea.

Deputy Administrator. The Deputy Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspector Service for Plant Protection and Quarantine, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or any other officer or employee of the Department to whom authority to act in his or her stead has been or may hereafter be delegated.

Exotic bee diseases. Bee diseases of foreign origin, including but not limited to Aspergillus spp., Bacillus spp., Entomophthora spp., Beauveria spp., Cordyceps spp., and Saccharomyces spp.

Exotic bee parasites. Bee parasites of foreign origin, including but not limited to Coelioxys spp. and Chrysis spp., Varroa jacobsoni, Euvarroa sinhai, Tropilaelaps clareae, and Acarapis woodi.

Import (importation, imported). To import or move into the United States.

Inspector. Any employee of Plant Protection and Quarantine, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or other person authorized by the Deputy Administrator in accordance with law to enforce the provisions of this subpart.

Person. Any individual, corporation, company, society, association, or any other organized group.

Plant pest. The egg, pupal, and larval stages as well as any other living stage of any insects, mites, nematodes, slugs, snails, protozoa, or other invertebrate animals, bacteria, fungi, or other parasitic plants or reproductive parts thereof, viruses, or any organisms similar to or allied with any of the foregoing, or any infectious substances, which can directly or indirectly injure or cause disease or damage in any plants or parts thereof, or any proc-

essed, manufactured, or other products of plants.

Plant Protection and Quarantine. The organizational unit within the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, delegated responsibility for enforcing provisions of the Federal Plant Pest Act and related legislation and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Secretary. The Secretary of Agriculture, or any other officer or employee of the Department of Agriculture to whom authority to act in his or her stead has been or may hereafter be delegated.

United States. The States, District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States.

§319.76-2 Restricted articles.

The following articles from any country or locality other than Canada are restricted articles:

- (a) Live bees, other than honeybees of the genus *Apis*, in any life stage;¹
 - (b) Dead bees of any genus;
- (c) Used bee boards, hives, nests, and nesting material;
- (d) Used beekeeping equipment, e.g. smokers, hive tools, gloves or other clothing, and shipping containers;
- (e) Beeswax, unless it has been liquefied:
 - (f) Pollen for bee feed; and
 - (g) Honey for bee feed.

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§319.76-3 Permits.

- (a) A restricted article may be imported only after issuance of a written permit by Plant Protection and Quarantine.
- (b) An application for a written permit must be submitted to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Plant Protection and Quarantine, Biological Assessments and Taxonomic Support, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, Maryland 20737–1236, and should be submitted at least 30 days prior to arrival of the article at the U.S. port of

¹Regulations regarding the importation of live honeybees of the genus *Apis* are set forth in 7 CFR part 322.