

Refer to CBP Agriculture Specialist:

Animal and Animal Products:

- Animal by-products, such as hides, trophies, or casings
- Biologicals such as cell cultures, bacteria or viruses
- Cages that held birds or animals
- Feeds and pet food
- Game animals and birds
- Semen containers

Plants and Plant Products:

- Cut flowers and greenery
- Nursery stock including live plants, seeds, bulbs, or cuttings
- Nuts contained in the husk or inside a fruit
- Unprocessed cotton, such as samples, lint, bolls, or seeds

Live Organisms and Cultures:

- Live insects, snails, mites, ticks, or cultures of microorganisms

Miscellaneous:

- Any questionable items or products found infested
- Beehives and beekeeping equipment
- Burlap sacks
- Commercial quantities of agricultural products
- Garbage, grass, manure, straw, or soil
- Items which only CBP Agriculture Specialist or PPQ has authority to grant clearance
- Product(s) originating from central Mexico or further south
- Undeclared or smuggled agricultural products
- Vehicles with hay, straw, soil, manure, used animal bedding, or garbage

Please determine and report the origin and destination of items you seize or hold. Mark items "Held for inspection." Include your name and if possible, the owner's name, address, and phone number.

7CFR Foreign Plant Quarantines

9CFR Foreign Animal Quarantines

50 CFR Taking, Possession, Transportation, Sale, Purchase, Barter, Exportation, and Importation of Wildlife and Plants

SAFEGUARD:

- All foreign food stores and seized agricultural items. Dispose by **incineration or steam sterilization.**

Contact CBP Agriculture Specialist for specific procedures for disposal for foreign stores and garbage.

Nearest CBPAS Office: _____

CBPAS Office Phone Number: _____



**A Job Aid for
Taking Agricultural Action
by Mexican Border
Customs & Border
Protection Officers**

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
*Plant Protection and Quarantine***

**A Job Aid for Taking Action on
Noncommercial Meat and Animal Products
from Mexico**

If it is:	And is:	Then:
Beef, goat, or sheep	—————→	RELEASE
Dairy products (wholly dairy)	Cow, ewe, goat (ruminants)	
Deer	—————→	CONTACT the nearest FWS office
Fish	—————→	RELEASE
Pork	—————→	GO TO NEXT TABLE
Poultry including eggs ¹	Boiled; canned, shelf stable; or cooked	RELEASE
	Fresh	REFER/SEIZE

There may be exceptions specific to your port – check with the CBP Agriculture Specialist.

¹ Empty egg shells including confetti eggs (cascarones) are REFER/SEIZE

**A Job Aid for Taking Action on
Noncommercial Pork
from Mexico**

If:	And:	And in:	Then:
Canned, shelf stable	—————→		RELEASE
Chicharrones (pork skins or rinds)	Cooked to a crispness and break easily when bent	—————→	
	Do not break easily when bent	—————→	REFER/SEIZE
Cooked	Thoroughly cooked throughout*	A small quantity (one meal for one person)	RELEASE
		More than one meal for one person	REFER/SEIZE
	Not thoroughly cooked throughout	—————→	
Dried, fresh, or uncooked	—————→		

*For example, carnitas, cooked meat in sandwiches, empanadas, tamales, and tacos.

**A Job Aid for Taking Action on
Noncommercial Produce**

If it is a:	And is:	Then:
A fruit, vegetable or herb	Fresh or fresh frozen	REFER/SEIZE
	Cooked, commercially canned, or dried*	RELEASE
Nuts**free of their husk	—————→	

*Except for Szechwan peppercorns (a citrus relative), dried citrus is prohibited. Szechwan peppercorns are admissible.

** Nuts include acorn, almond, betel nut, Brazil nut, breadnut, buartnut, butternut, cashew, chestnut, coconut, filbert, hazel nut, heartnut, hickory nut, macadamia nut, peanut, pecan, piñon nut, pistachio, walnut

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