

Overview of APHIS Inspection of American Ginseng





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USDA Animal Plant Health Inspection Service

APHIS serves to facilitate safe trade, monitor the movement of risk material, protect against the introduction of pests, regulate the import and export of plants, and help exporters meet the entry requirements of other countries.

USDA responsibility

The USDA is responsible for enforcing regulations specific to the import and export of plants regulated by CITES as well as the Endangered Species Act (ESA).





CITES Implementation in the U.S.A.

2005 Memorandum of Agreement between USDA and DHS-CBP

DHS enforces CITES for nonliving plant imports e.g. herbal medicinal products and timber species





Roles of PPQ and CBP

PPQ:

- Importation of living CITES plants
- Exportation of CITES regulated plants and plant products

CBP:

- Importation of nonliving CITES plants and plant products
- CITES plants on the Canadian border





Appendix II

Species not necessarily threatened with extinction, but for which trade must be controlled to avoid their becoming threatened

International trade is allowed but controlled by permits

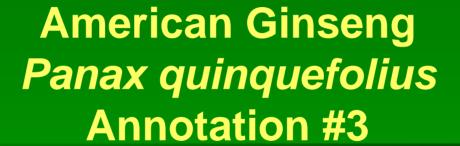




CITES Appendices

Many species listed in Appendix II have "annotations" which provide additional guidance as to specific parts or derivatives that are regulated or exempted







#3 Whole and sliced roots and parts of roots

~25,000kgs/55,000 lbs exported per year







- USDA Protected Plant Permit
- CITES Export Permit/Certificate
- State Permits for 5 + year Wild roots
- Invoice or Packing List
- Inspection and Export at a USDA "Designated Port"





USDA Protected Plant Permit

7CFR355.11

Effective March 26, 1985:

"...no person shall engage in business as an importer, exporter, or reexporter of any terrestrial plants listed in 50 CFR 17.12 or 23.23 unless such person has obtained a protected plant permit for engaging in such business from Plant Protection and Quarantine."





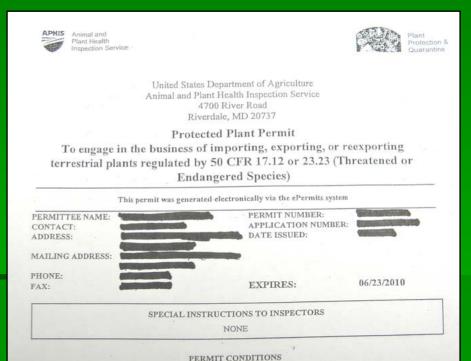
USDA Protected Plant Permit

- "Engage in business as an importer, exporter, or reexporter of any terrestrial plants.":
- "To import, export, or reexport terrestrial plants for the purpose of selling, bartering, collecting, or otherwise exchanging or acquiring the plants as a livelihood or enterprise engaged in for gain or profit."





- •USDA Protected Plant Permit
- > Fee: \$70.00
- Valid for 2 years



A copy of this permit (including all conditions) must accompany all shipments authorized under this permit. Upon arrival in the United States, the articles and shipping container(s) are subject to inspection by officials of Customs and Border Protection, Agriculture Inspection (CBP-AI) or Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ). Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species (CITES) documentation and phytosanitary certificates must be obtained

prior to importing, exporting or reexporting Threatened or Endangered Species.





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Permits are valid for six months from the date of issuance



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CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

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Problems

- State documents
- Originals only
- Harvest season must match Export Permit
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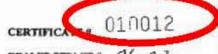
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This original certificate must accompany the certified ginseng until it is exported from the United States.



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DEALER SHIPMENT # 9

NORTH CAROLINA GINSENG EXPORT CERTIFICATE

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Ginseng Dealer Registration and Permit Number 200/17

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TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION DIVISION OF NATURAL HERITAGE

AMERICAN GINSENG EXPORT CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that, to the ber cultivated American Ginsang		
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NOTE: Dealers must be registered in the state from which they purchase the American Ginseng described in this certificate. This certificate must accompany each shipment of ginseng upon and after the first sale of the ginseng. A Pederal Export Permit is required to export wild American Ginseng from the United States. Artificially Propagated Plant Certificates are necessary for international shipment of cultivated American Ginseng. Export Permits and Artificially Propagated Plant Certificates are available from United States Pish and Wildlife Service, CMA, 4401 N. Pairfax Drive, Room 700. Arlington, Virginia, 22203. USDA General Permits are also required to export American Ginseng. USDA General Permits are available from United States Department of Agriculture, APHIS/PPQ, 4700 River Road. Unit 136, Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1236. A Valid Federal Export Permit or Certificates of Artificial Propagation, Federal General Permit and copies of these State Certificates listing the ginseng in the shipment are required to export any American Ginseng, either wild or cultivated, from the United States.



American Ginseng Export



Requirements

- USDA Protected Plant Permit
- CITES Export Permit/Certificate
- State Permits for 5 + year Wild roots
- Invoice or Packing List







PPQ Plant Inspection Stations



(All CITES Regulated plant, plant parts & derivatives)

"Designated Port" Seattle GINSENG EXPORT

Milwauke

Chicago

Linden, NJ

Jamaica, NY

San Francisco

Hawthorne (L.A.)

San Diego

Nogales

Baltimore

St. Louis

Charlotte

New Orleans

Orlando

Houston

Miami

Los Indios

Barrigana, Guam

Honolulu

San Juan, PR





Inspection process:

- 1) Examine documents
- 2) Empty at least one barrel
- 3) Inspect contents for compliance with Export Permit Conditions



Possible problems

- Wild, mixed or hidden in shipment of cultivated root
- Suspect underage root
- Excessive roots with broken or no necks
- Other questions, "What is it?"
- Fiber, not whole roots

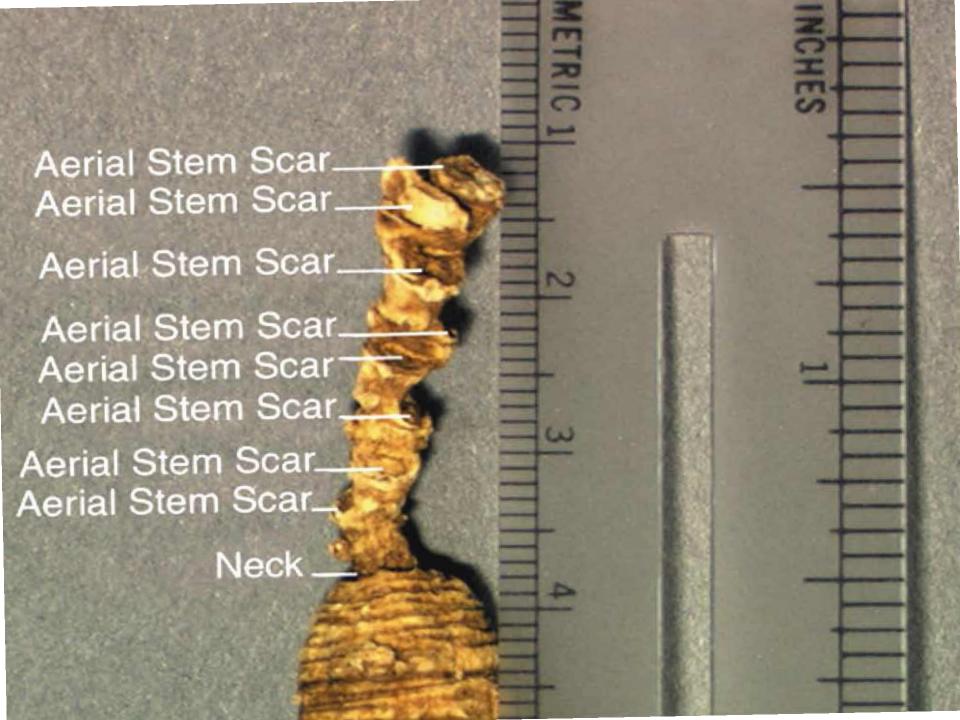


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Not all small roots are underage





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Inspection of American ginseng roots for export endorsement validation



Inspection process:

Examine documents

Empty at least one barrel

Inspect contents for

compliance with

Export Permit Conditions

Validate permit and distribute copies





American Ginseng Export Requirements



When the inspection has been completed, the Inspector:

- Stamps the Original Permit "Inspected and Released" (The original accompanies the shipment)
- Photocopies of the validated permit are distributed to:
 The Permittee
 Division of Management Authority
 Port files



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