



BARK RESTRICTION

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ISPM 15 (IPPC) MARKED WOOD PACKAGING MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

PASS: Less than 3 cm (1.18 in) wide for any length or less than 50 cm²



Bark strip is less than 3 cm wide (measuring along the length).



Bark strip is greater than 3 cm wide. However, a credit card (roughly 50 cm²) easily covers the entire strip.



FAIL: Greater than 50 cm² (will not fit under a credit card)



This bark strip exceeds 3 cm in width and is not easily covered by a credit card. Use the method described to the right to decide whether or not the CONTINUOUS (see below) strip of bark can fit under the credit card.



Place the credit card to cover as much bark as possible. Visualize the area underneath the credit card that has no bark (pictured in white). If the bark surrounding the credit card (pictured in yellow) does not fit into this (white) area, the bark strip fails.



Each strip of bark is completely surrounded by "good wood" (or non-bark). Individual strips should be evaluated separately.

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