

# TP

# HT NEWS



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## A WORD FROM OUR CANADIAN COUNTERPARTS (CWPCA)

The following information was attained at a meeting of the Canadian Wooden Pallet and Container Association (CWPCA) on April 14, 2008.

All registered facilities in Canada (927 approx.) and the USA (4300 approx.) will, as of April 2008, receive an official letter from their government agencies [CFIA & USDA/APHIS] responsible for the for wood packaging material circulating between the two countries.

The USDA and CFIA have

developed an action plan which involves a multi year phase-in period for an eventual full implementation of the ISPM No. 15 standard for WPM moving between the two countries by 2010 and for dunnage by 2011.

At this time, only wood packaging material moving between the two countries, as a stand-alone commodity, originating from regulated areas, is regulated.

Wood packaging material accompanying commodities are exempt.

The US and Canada through Pest Risk Assessments, determined that the risks of pest dissemination through wood packaging material moving between the two countries must be mitigated.

The US and Canada have determined that it would be to both country's best interest to terminate the exemption currently in place with respect to wood packaging material circulating between the two countries.

See Proposed Schedule:

## PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR US/CAN BILATERAL PHASE OUT

### PHASE 1 – October 1, 2008

There will a one year adjustment period for stakeholders to cycle inventory

### PHASE 2 – October 1, 2009

There will be a one year of informed compliance period (letters)

### PHASE 3 – October 1, 2010

October 2010						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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All wood packaging material

except dunnage will be required to meet the ISPM No.15 standard with the exception of dunnage. An additional informed compliance period of eight months will be given for dunnage.

### PHASE 4 – Beginning June 1, 2011

Full enforcement

## FRAUDULENT MARKS

TP has been very successful in prosecuting users of fraudulent marking equipment. That success is directly attributable to concerned subscribers interested in protecting the integrity of the Heat Treatment Program.

Fraudulent marking often looks legitimate, but you know when one of your competitors is trying to pull a fast one. If you see that someone is marking wood packaging material without proper certification, please contact TP immediately.

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