

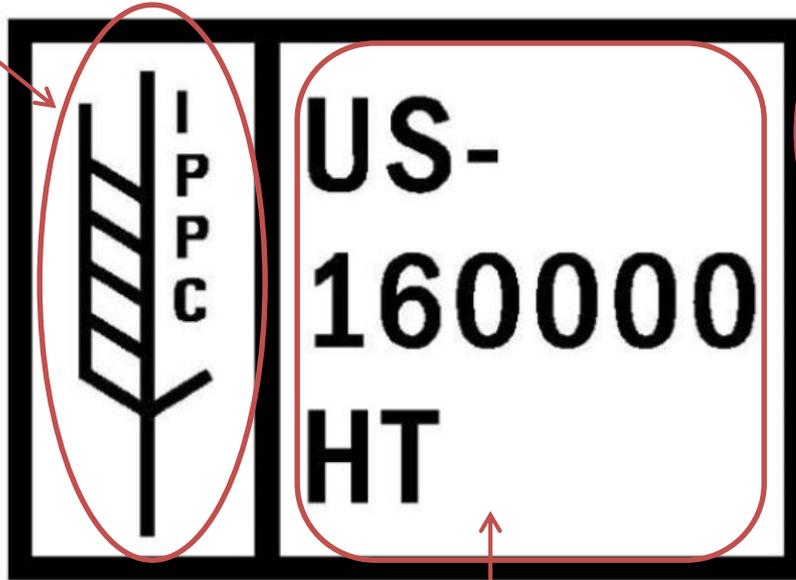


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Stamp Legibility

4 Parts of the ISPM 15 Mark

1. - IPPC "wheat"
mark01



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TP[®]

2. - Agency
trademark or
name.

4. Borders

3. - Information
related to country,
facility and
treatment type.



Regardless of the mark type, all parts of the mark must be fully present to be considered legible.

What causes stamp illegibility?

1. Worn out stamps.
2. Dirty stamps.
3. Extremely rough or uneven wood.
4. Other irregularities (i.e. grub holes, ant burrows, bark, etc.).
5. Too much ink.
6. Too little ink.
7. Human error.



LEGIBLE STAMP



This mark is considered legible.

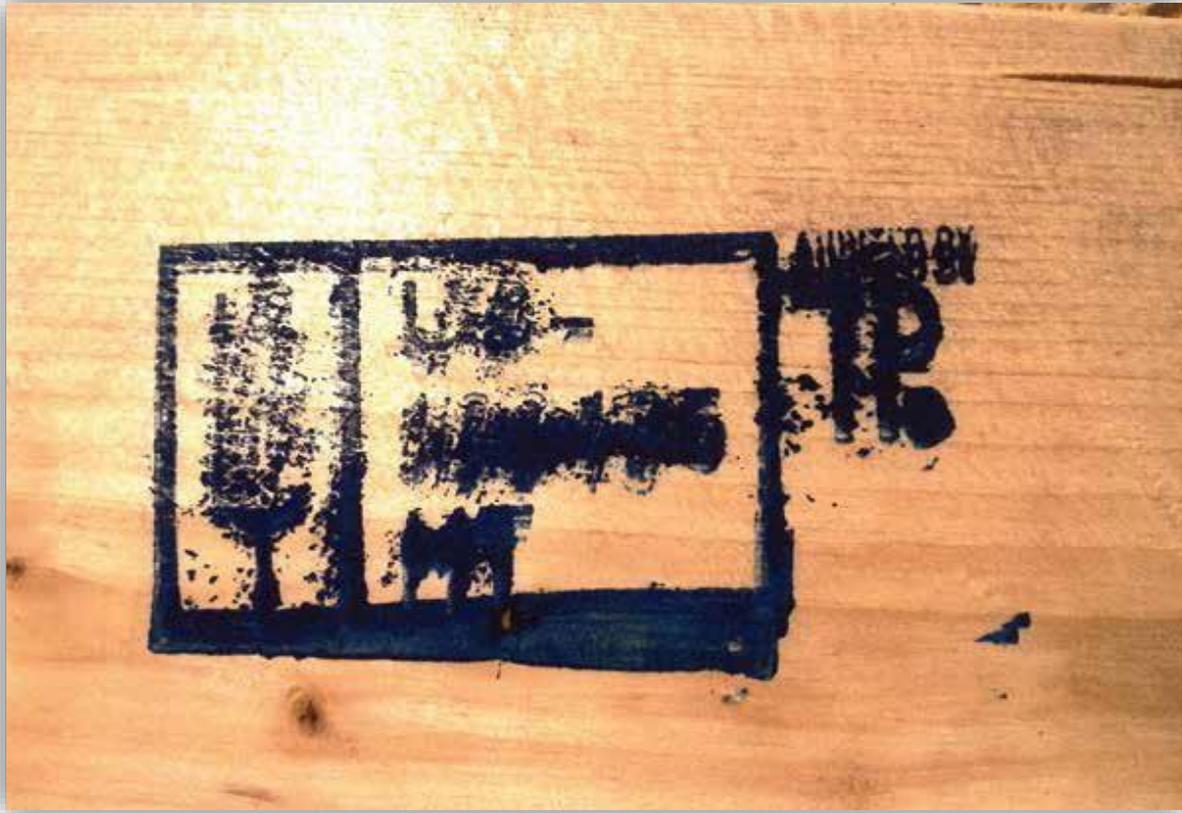
ALL parts are legible and complete.

This includes:

1. "IPPC" LOGO
2. US – 16000 – HT
3. "TP" LOGO
4. BORDERS



ILLEGIBLE STAMP



There are **NO** parts of this stamp that are readable.



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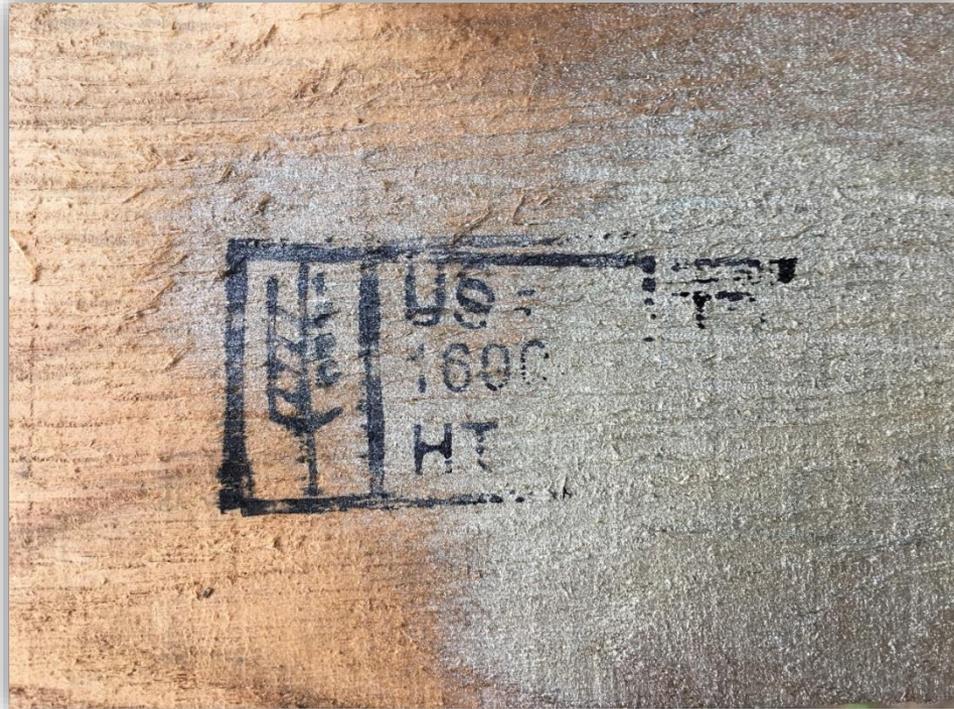
ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This mark was applied with too little ink and not fully readable.



ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This stamp was not fully pressed to the wood causing part of the mark to be missing and incomplete.



ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This mark was applied where a grub hole is present making the mark incomplete.



ILLEGIBLE STAMP

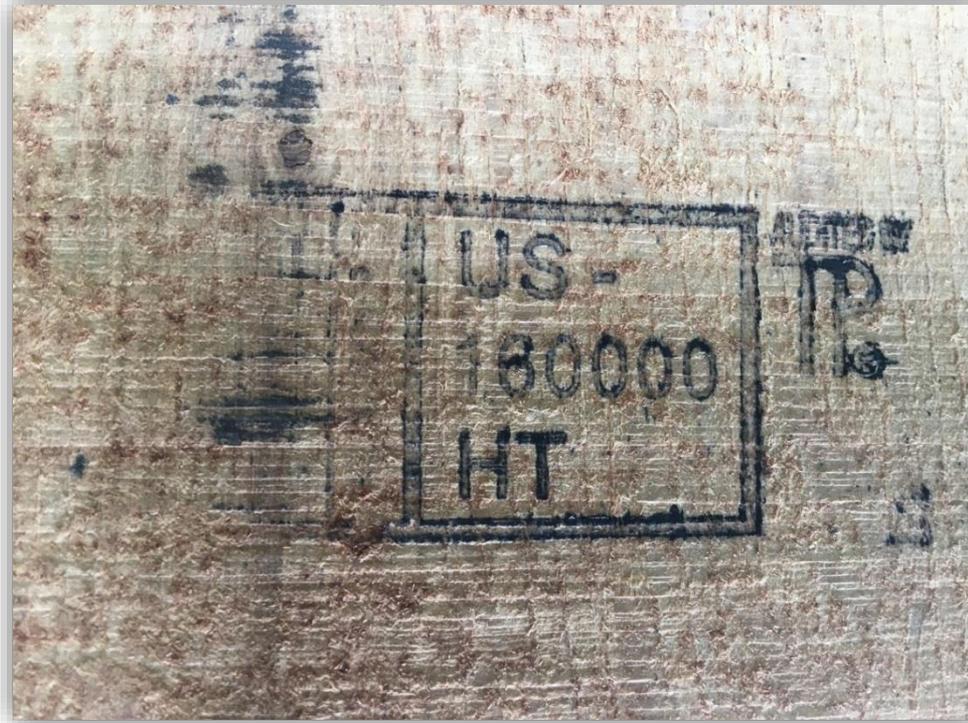


To much ink on the stamp has caused part of this mark to be unreadable.



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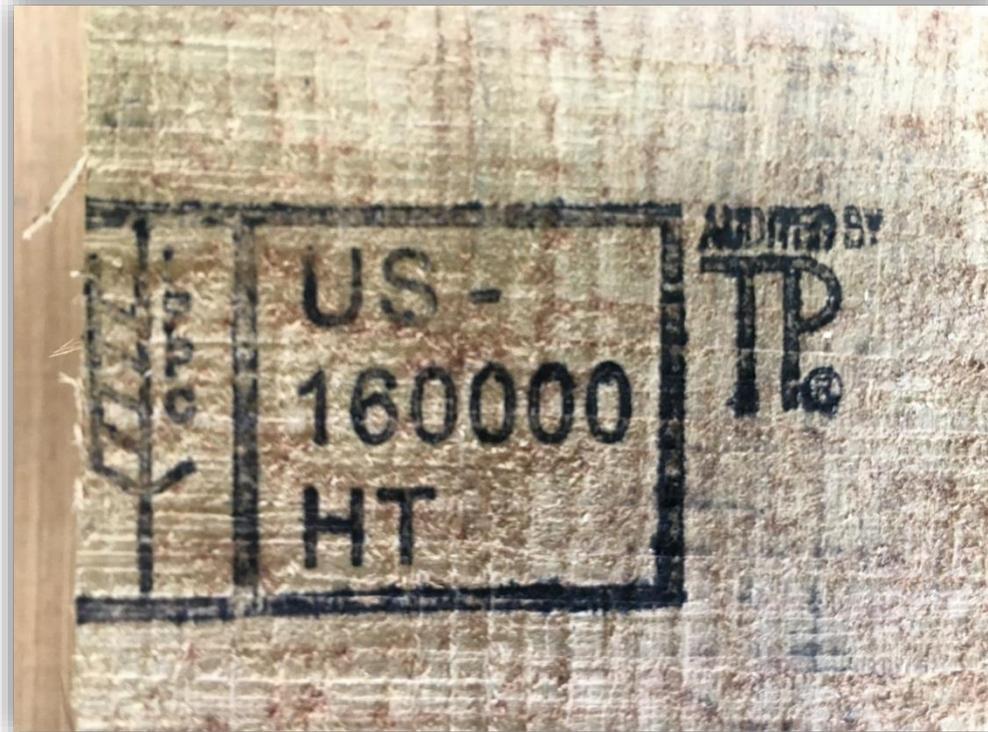
ILLEGIBLE STAMP



An uneven area where the wood was stamped caused part of the wheat symbol and border to be missing and is incomplete.



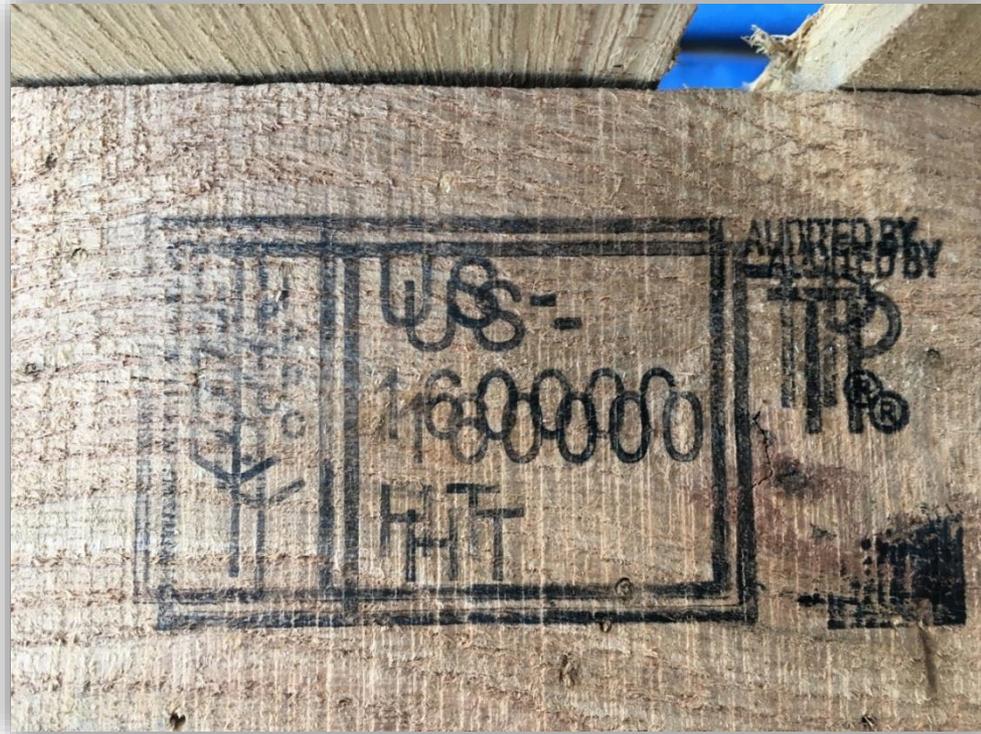
ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This mark was applied close at the edge of the wood and the left border is missing making it incomplete.



ILLEGIBLE STAMP



Re-stamping over an illegible mark causes both marks to be unreadable and therefore illegible.



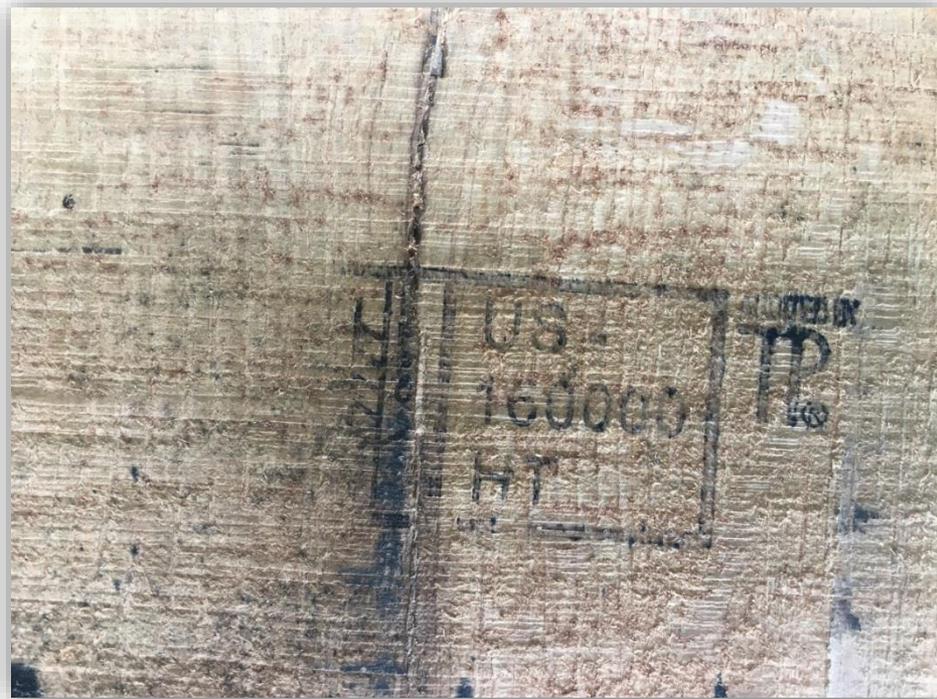
ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This mark was applied where a grub hole is present making the mark incomplete.



ILLEGIBLE STAMP



This mark was applied in an area where the wood is uneven and pith is present making the mark incomplete.



LEGIBLE STAMP



Remember all parts of the stamp must be **legible & complete.**





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Please contact your inspector
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related to stamp legibility.