

Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

Khapra beetle urgent actions – update to exclusion list

Key messages:

- The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment will update the exclusion list for high risk khapra beetle goods on 2 August 2021 on the urgent action website and BICON Cases.
- The highlighted text in yellow below, identifies the changes.
- The change to policy will be effective from 2 August 2021.

The urgent actions for Phases 1-3 and 6A apply to the following plant products, which have been identified as high-risk.

Bean seed (<i>Phaseolus spp.</i>)	Lentils (<i>Lens culinaris</i>)
Celery seed (Apium graveolens)	Mung beans, cowpeas (Vigna spp.)
Chickpeas (Cicer arietinum)	Pea seed (<i>Pisum sativum</i>)
Coriander seed (Coriandrum sativum)	Peanuts (Arachis hypogaea)
Cucurbit seed (Cucurbita, Cucumis, Citrullus spp.)	Pigeon Pea <mark>seed</mark> (<i>Cajanus cajan</i>)
Cumin seed (Cuminum cyminum)	Rice (<i>Oryza sativa</i>)
Dried chillies/capsicum (Capsicum spp.)	Safflower seed (Carthamus tinctorius)
Faba bean (<i>Vicia faba</i>)	Soybean (<i>Glycine max</i>)
Fennel seed (Foeniculum vulgare)	Wheat <mark>seed</mark> (<i>Triticum spp</i>)

Note: High-risk plant products also includes all synonyms and subordinate taxa of the species listed above. The following items are **excluded** from these requirements:

- Commercially prepared and packaged goods that have been thermally processed so that the nature of the material has been transformed from their original raw form, such as retorted, blanched, roasted, fried, par-boiled, boiled, puffed, malted or pasteurised.
- goods that are commercially processed to a powder, meal or flakes and packaged in bags less than or equal to 25kgs (such as cereal flours like semolina, wheat flour, chilli flakes and ground spices) Note: these goods do not require mandatory treatment from Khapra beetle target risk countries, however commercial consignments will require a phytosanitary certificate verifying freedom from khapra beetle.
- breakfast cereals, instant cereal beverage mixes, couscous meal mixes and snack foods (such as muesli bars, granola bars and wholefood bars/balls, trail mixes) that are commercially prepared and retail packaged*
- bakery and bread mixes (including whole seeds) that are commercially prepared and retail packaged*
- commercially prepared and packaged herbal teas containing, with or without seeds (including loose leaf and teabags)
- goods that are chemically processed and preserved such as with a Formalin Propionic Acid fixative, Formalin Acetic acid alcohol, Carnoy's fixative or ethanol.
- fresh vegetables
- commercially manufactured frozen or freeze-dried food (perishable foodstuffs only)
- frozen plant samples for plant research (including through the use of liquid nitrogen and freeze drying)
- oils derived from vegetables or seed
- Preserved or pickled (such as in vinegar or alcohol)
- goods that have been refined or extracted to obtain specific components from plant-based raw materials.
 Examples include starch, lecithin, gluten, protein, cellulose, sugars and pigments.

Notes: The above exclusions may be determined through evidence provided on a product label or commercial documentation, including commercial invoice or manufacturer's declaration.

*An imported good is considered retail packaged if it has been commercially prepared and packaged overseas and is in a final state that requires no further processing, packaging or labelling prior to sale or use in Australia.

Further information

Please direct enquiries to 1800 900 090 or email imports@agriculture.gov.au (please title the subject line of the email with 'Plant Tier 2 – khapra urgent actions').