



How do I view Import Conditions?

This task card demonstrates how to view Import Conditions, after conducting a search in BICON web, to locate a case relating to your goods.

1. Search and Select a Case

Once you have conducted a search and reviewed the search results, select the required case.

The screenshot shows the 'Import Conditions' page with the 'Search' tab selected. The search term 'Timber' is entered in the search bar. Below the search bar, there are search parameters: 'Import into: Australia' and 'Effective On: 30 November 2020'. The 'Search Results' section displays a list of results. The first result is 'BPL affected timber from New Zealand' with an alert icon. The second result is 'Timber and timber products' with an alert icon and a 'Changes' link. The 'Timber and timber products' result is highlighted, showing details about the case, including the effective date (26 November 2020) and a description of the products.

2. Define Import Scenario

Defining an import scenario is the process of answering questions about the goods you would like to import, after selecting a case. The questions will determine the specific import conditions for your goods.

You can choose to answer one question, some questions or all questions. You can also choose multiple answers to a single question. Complete all questions, or select [Skip to import conditions](#) to view the Import Scenarios table.

The screenshot shows the 'Import Conditions' page with the 'Import Questions' tab selected. The case title is 'Case: Timber and timber products Effective: 26 Nov 2020'. Below the title, there is a question: 'Is the consignment listed as a wooden product?'. The question has two options: 'No' and 'Yes'. At the bottom of the page, there are navigation buttons: 'Previous', 'Exit to find new Case', 'Skip to import conditions' (highlighted with a red box), and 'Next'.

If you have skipped a question or provided multiple answers to a single question, you will be presented with the Import Scenarios table. From this table you can view import conditions from a number of scenarios.

Hover over the [See Conditions](#) hyperlink to highlight an Import Scenario (left to right), then select.

TIP: You can return to the import scenario by selecting the hyperlink at any point.

Import Scenarios				
Wooden products			See Conditions	
Other than listed	Non-commercial		See Conditions	
	Commercial	Canadian Green Sawn Wood Certification Program	See Conditions	
		Other than Canadian Green Sawn Wood Certification Program	Manufactured wooden articles	See Table 2



3. View Import Conditions

The **Import Conditions** will provide you with the information you need to import your goods, including **Warnings and Information Notices**, whether an import permit is required and other documentary requirements.

If an import permit is required an  button will be presented.

Ensure you view the non-commodity case and understand any relevant non-commodity conditions also.

TIP: Warnings and Information Notices might draw your attention to any other agencies you may need to notify or contact about your import.

Import Conditions

Import conditions define the biosecurity requirements which must be met for your import. Where import conditions have been developed, they will be listed below.

Warnings and Information Notices

Goods classified under chapters 44 and 45 that are manufactured in, or exported as sea cargo from the countries below* are subject to seasonal measures. These goods are subject to additional phytosanitary measures if they are shipped between 1 September 2020 and 30 April 2021 (inclusive), and arrive in Australian territory by 31 May 2021. This is in order to manage the risk of brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) contamination on the import pathway.

Importers will need to consider logistics to meet both the commodity import conditions and import conditions specifically for BMSB management. Importers may wish to meet both the commodity and BMSB treatment requirements with one treatment. To achieve this, importers that choose to treat their commodity offshore with heat, sulfuryl fluoride, or methyl bromide under the commodity conditions (if available) should ensure that their treatment provider is registered with the department to perform the treatments for BMSB management and that their goods are exported within the specific BMSB management timeframe after treatment.

Please refer to the Seasonal measures for Brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) [webpage](#).

*Countries affected by additional phytosanitary measures

Albania; Andorra; Armenia; Austria; Azerbaijan; Belgium; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Bulgaria; Canada; Croatia; Czechia; France; Georgia; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Italy; Kazakhstan; Kosovo; Liechtenstein; Luxembourg; Republic of Moldova; Montenegro; Netherlands; North Macedonia; Portugal; Romania; Russia; Serbia; Slovakia; Slovenia; Spain; Switzerland; Turkey; Ukraine and the United States of America.

- a. Prior to the importation of [goods](#) into Australian territory, a valid import permit issued by the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment is required.

[Wooden articles import permit requirements](#) can be found on the department website. A Wooden Articles Import Permit (WAP) may be obtained by submitting an import permit application online. The application must contain the completed questionnaire found on the WAP information page.

Warnings and Information Notices

Important reminder to importers

- Goods that require a valid import permit, but arrive without one, including where an import permit application is currently under consideration, will be directed for export from Australian territory or required to be destroyed in an approved manner.

- b. The goods must be clean and free of contaminant seed, soil, animal and plant debris and other [biosecurity risk material](#) prior to arrival in Australian territory.
- c. Any packaging used with the consignment must be clean and new.
- d. Consignments are subject to an inspection to verify that the goods meet the import conditions.
- e. Where the approved product contains other components derived from plant and/or animal materials, these components will be subject to the import conditions as per the relevant BICON case.
- f. The approved product must have been manufactured and stored to the same standard and specifications as provided in the wooden articles import permit questionnaire.
- g. Under the [Biosecurity Charges Imposition \(General\) Regulation 2016](#) and Chapter 9, Part 2 of the [Biosecurity Regulation 2016](#), fees are payable to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment for all services. Detail on how the department applies fees and levies may be found in the [Charging guidelines](#).
- h. In addition to the conditions for the goods being imported, non-commodity concerns must be assessed including container cleanliness, packaging and destination concerns, and may be subject to inspection and treatment on arrival. Please refer to the [Non-Commodity Cargo Clearance](#) BICON case for further information.

Warnings and Information Notices

- You may require a wildlife trade permit and/or other approvals from the Wildlife Trade Regulation section. More information is available on the [International wildlife trade webpage](#).
- Goods covered under this BICON case may be subject to the [Illegal Logging Prohibition Act 2012](#) and the [Illegal Logging Prohibition Amendment Regulation 2012](#). It is an offence to import a timber product sourced from an illegal logging activity. Before you import your goods into Australia, refer to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment [website](#) for information on how to comply with the laws and regulations.
- i. Seasonal measures apply to certain goods manufactured in, or shipped from target risk countries as sea cargo, to manage the risk of Brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB) contamination. These goods must meet import requirements if they are shipped between 1 September 2020 and 30 April 2021 (inclusive), and arriving in Australian Territory by 31 May 2021. These measures are in addition to existing import conditions that may also apply to the commodity risk of the goods. Please refer to the [Brown marmorated stink bug \(BMSB\) hitchhiker pests](#) BICON case for those specific import conditions.

To apply for an import permit you must complete an application for Wooden articles

