

## Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Lacey: Disclaim Declaration

If the determination has been made that APHIS Lacey reporting is <u>NOT REQUIRED</u>, please complete the following declaration. Reporting and disclaim guidance follows below.

I hereby certify that the goods entered in this shipment are **exempt** from APHIS Lacey reporting requirements. The goods indicated below are disclaimed because they are not regulated or are regulated, but data is not required. **Goods that are disclaimed in error may be subject to action by USDA**.

Description of Goods:	
HTSUS Number(s):	
Shipment Entry No., Invoice or Reference No.:(Single Shipment Declarations ONLY)	
Annual Certificate Period, covering from (month, fiscal year) (Complete ONLY for Blanket Declarations)	to (month, fiscal year)
Company Name:	Account Number:
Address:	
City,State/Province, and Zip/Postal Code:	
Name of Certifying Individual:	_ Title:
Phone No.:	Email:
Signature:	Date:
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Please disclaim LACEY on my behalf because my goods are: (Choose one)

Do I need to Report or Disclaim APHIS Lacey Information for my Product(s)?

A disclaim is appropriate if APHIS Lacey does not regulate your product or if your product is regulated, but there are no data requirements.

## Additional information specific to Wood Packaging Materials and other used or reclaimed wood products -

Effective October 1, 2021, importers are required to file a Lacey declaration for new wooden products in HTSUS 4415 that are formally entering the United States as merchandise.

The Lacey Act provides an exception to the plant import declaration requirement for plants used exclusively as packaging material to support, protect, or carry another item, unless the packaging material itself is the item being imported (§ 3372(f)(3)). For these products, you can apply disclaimer code "A" to fulfill the Lacey message set requirements.

In addition, APHIS does not require U.S. importers to file a Lacey declaration for used, recycled, and reclaimed wooden products in HTSUS 4415, whether empty or under load, that are used to carry goods imported into the United States. For these products, you can apply disclaimer code "B" to fulfill the Lacey message set requirements.

## **APHIS Lacey Resources**

- General Lacey Act information USDA APHIS | Lacey Act
- APHIS has published Do I Need a Lacey Act Declaration?
- Further questions can be directed to Lacey.Act.Declaration@usda.gov