

Inspection Section Fees and Process

Are you interested in shipping agriculture products outside the U.S.? If so, what do you need?

If you are interested in exporting agriculture products outside the U.S. it is necessary to know the import requirements of the country of destination. Depending on the country, these requirements may vary; for example some countries may require a phytosanitary inspection/certificate and an import permit.

How do I find out what the requirements of the importing country are?

Contact the Division of Agriculture at 745-7200 if you would like assistance in determining import requirements. It is best to do your research well in advance to determine how and if the requirements can be met.

If I need a phytosanitary certificate (PC) what/who is involved in the process?

The Alaska Division of Agriculture provides this service as licensed by the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Animal Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) – Plant Pest Quarantine (PPQ) as an Authorized Certified Official (ACO). An ACO will be able to provide you with the import requirements of the country and perform an inspection if necessary. If the inspection results determine compliance of the importing country's requirements, a PC is issued.

As an exporter, you will be required to file an application through the USDA Phytosanitary Certification and Issuance and Tracking (PCIT) System at <https://pcit.aphis.usda.gov/pcit/>. If you are new to the system and need assistance, Division of Agriculture inspection staff can assist you.

When do I schedule the inspection?

Once you have determined a date for export it is important to contact the Division of Agriculture as soon as possible to schedule an inspection. We currently have one ACO located in the Fairbanks region and one ACO located in the Mat-Su region. We also have one ACO in training in the Mat-Su region. We work diligently to assure industry needs can be met, but due to travel costs and staff availability it is best to schedule early.

What is the USDA – APHIS-PPO Phytosanitary Certificate Fees?

\$70.00 - Alaska non commercial shipment valued at less than \$1250.00

\$125.00 - Alaska commercial shipment valued at more than \$1250.00

\$25.00 – Alaska replacement