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## IMPORTED PLANT MATERIAL PACKAGING & SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

USDA-APHIS Requirements Permit Number PCIP-19-00575 Effective 12/30/2019 EXPIRES 12/30/2021

The following packaging and shipping requirements apply to plant samples that originate outside the United States and are being shipped to the lab for **analysis**:

- 1. Contact the Laboratory for a copy of the Rermit to Import Plant Material+. The permit must then be placed in the package of plant material when shipping it to the lab.
- 2. The plant materials are to be selected from apparently disease-free and pest-free sources, free of federal noxious weeds, free of roots and soil.
- 3. Securely package the plants in paper or cloth bags. Then place the bags in a box, a plastic bucket or a cooler.
- 4. The imported plant material should be packaged and safeguarded sufficiently to maintain isolation from the domestic environment during transportation.
- 5. Address the shipping label to: American Agricultural Lab, 700 West D Street, McCook, NE 69001. Preaddressed UPS/ARS labels can be requested from the lab.
- 6. All packages of imported plant materials are to be labeled "Regulated material.+
- 7. To prevent delay in delivery the APHIS Departmental PDEP number (permit number) should be written on the outside of the package(s) and on the bill of lading.
- 8. Upon arrival in the United States, the plant material is subject to inspection by a representative of Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) or by a Customs and Border Protection, Agriculture Specialist (CBP-AS). If found to be free from exotic pests, diseases, noxious weeds, and soil it will be returned to the carrier for delivery to the permittee.
- 9. Any shipping chargers incurred by American Ag Lab in receiving samples will be billed back to the client. Any shipments found to be void of the permit or proper packaging will be promptly sterilized without analysis with fees being passed on to the client.