

HAWAIIAN PLANT MATERIAL (excluding fruits, vegetables and herbs)

A. Cut Flowers

Responsibility of certification is with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Shipments of cut flowers and dry decorative material by mail, express and air cargo. Firms regularly shipping these commodities have been placed under compliance agreements by the USDA. The terms of these agreements provide that only specific, approved materials, free from pests, may be shipped. All shipping firms operating under compliance agreement are inspected approximately every six months to determine that the terms of the agreement are being met. The USDA requires that certain plant material be dipped as a precautionary treatment; however, they do not use a treatment stamp indicating any treatments have been performed.

Accompanying Hawaiian Stamps and Certificates:

Cut flowers and dry decorative material: The compliance agreement also requires each shipment of cut flowers be stamped "*May be opened for postal inspection.*" This allows the USDA to spot check packages at the post office prior to shipment and also facilitates destination inspections.

USDA Limited Permit Stamp: Cut flowers and dry decorative material shipped by firms under compliance agreement bear a limited permit stamp (example below), which will also include the island of origin:

PPQ, APHIS, USDA LIMITED PERMIT NO. Movement Authorized Under Federal Quarantine No. 13

USDA "RELEASED" Stamp: Shipments of cut flowers and dry decorative material from firms and individuals not under a compliance agreement are inspected prior to shipment by federal inspectors to determine compliance with federal quarantines. Those meeting the requirements are stamped with a USDA "RELEASED" stamp. Those not meeting the requirements are returned to shipper.

Burrowing and Reniform Nematode Certificate: Cut flowers of prime hosts when free from soil and not capable of propagation are exempt from burrowing and reniform nematode quarantine requirements.

If your inspection of any shipments of cut flowers, foliage or dry decorative material reveals the presence of pests or plant material in violation of federal or state quarantines, please advise Pest Exclusion of your findings. Compliance agreements may be revoked and corrective action will be taken by the USDA in Hawaii if other than approved, clean material is being shipped.

Plant Material in Ship Cargo and Baggage

Plant material carried in vessel's cargo or passenger's baggage is inspected for pests, and treated when necessary under USDA supervision. Also, this material is subject to inspection by the County Agricultural Commissioner upon arrival at destination.

B. Propagative Material and Nursery Stock

Responsibility of certification is with the State of Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDA).

Shipments of propagative plant material and nursery stock by mail, express and air cargo should be held for destination inspection by the common carrier or post office. Propagative plant material shipped to California by mail, express and air cargo is inspected in Hawaii prior to departure by inspectors of the Plant Quarantine Branch, HDA. Inspectors of the USDA, also participate in the inspection. Inspections determine compliance with California exterior quarantines and Federal plant quarantine requirements.

Accompanying Hawaiian Stamps, Certificates, and Marking Requirements:

Plants: For all islands, all packages containing propagative material must be **marked with the name and address of the shipper and receiver, a statement of contents and the name of the county, state or territory where contents were grown, as per California Food and Agriculture code: 6421**

Burrowing and Reniform Nematode Certificate: Shipments of nursery stock and **orchid plants** from Hawaii must be accompanied by a burrowing and reniform nematode certificate issued by the HDA.

TERMINAL INSPECTION

HDA issues nematode certificates to nurseries participating in Master Permit No. QC 650. Participating nurseries will be authorized to ship nursery stock to California destinations under the terms of California's Master Permit No. QC 650. This permit is equivalent to that which was issued to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services QC 390. The wording of HDA's burrowing and reniform nematode certificate is as follows:

HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PLANT QUARANTINE BRANCH

NEMATODE CERTIFICATE #_____

This is to certify that the plant materials in this shipment meet California's burrowing and reniform nematode quarantine requirements and originated from a nursery participating under the terms of California's Master Permit for the Shipment of Nursery Stock from Hawaii to California, Permit No. QC 650.

* See page 105.2 for a list of invalid QC 650 numbers.

These certificates are used for both nursery stock and **orchid plants**. The certificates have 4 digit numbers (the old certificates had 3 digit numbers). Additionally, HDA maintains their own nematode certificate for distribution to qualifying shippers. This certificate is identical to the one above, but does not have a number associated with it.

**THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS ARE NO LONGER VALID
CALIFORNIA/HDA MASTER PERMIT QC 650 NUMBERS**

0003	0104	0184	0259	0321	0385	0462
0014	0105	0185	0260	0322	0386	0473
0019	0111	0186	0261	0323	0389	159
0020	0114	0188	0262	0325	0394	312
0023	0115	0190	0266	0327	0395	330
0029	0116	0193	0268	0328	0399	447
0030	0117	0194	0270	0329	0402	464
0031	0118	0202	0274	0330	0403	477
0034	0119	0210	0275	0332	0405	482
0038	0122	0214	0277	0334	0406	501
0039	0123	0215	0280	0338	0407	512
0043	0125	0216	0281	0339	0410	542
0045	0127	0226	0282	0341	0413	543
0049	0128	0227	0283	0342	0414	545
0050	0131	0228	0284	0345	0415	561
0052	0132	0229	0285	0347	0419	569
0053	0134	0230	0289	0348	0420	587
0054	0136	0231	0290	0349	0426	622
0056	0139	0234	0291	0350	0427	632
0060	0140	0235	0294	0351	0429	645
0061	0141	0237	0295	0354	0433	649
0064	0144	0239	0296	0359	0435	654
0065	0145	0240	0298	0361	0436	688
0066	0146	0244	0300	0362	0443	699
0069	0148	0245	0304	0367	0446	722
0070	0149	0248	0305	0372	0447	726
0071	0155	0249	0309	0373	0448	756
0077	0158	0250	0312	0376	0449	
0078	0163	0251	0313	0377	0451	
0091	0169	0252	0316	0378	0452	
0096	0171	0253	0317	0381	0455	
0101	0176	0256	0320	0382	0456	