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Phytosanitary requirements for importation of Lumber and Log (without Bark) of beech (*Fagus sp.*) from all countries to Iran

1- Procurement of valid phytosanitary certificate from the country of origin in whose Additional Declarations (A.D) section freeness of the consignment from the following pests and diseases has been confirmed:

1. *Apiognomonina errabunda*
2. *Trypodendron domesticum*
3. *Anoplophora chinensis*
4. *Trichoferus campestris*
5. *Ophiostoma arduennense*
6. *Ceratocystis fimbriata*
7. *Phytophthora cambivora*
8. *Xylosandrus germanus*

Note: Mentioning the scientific name of above pest and diseases in the phytosanitary certificate of above consignment is mandatory; otherwise, customs clearance will be prevented due to insufficient documentation, any and all damages and losses being on importers account.

2- Disinfection of wood in the country of origin with one of the following methods and mentioning its particular features in the relevant phytosanitary certificate:

A) Disinfection of consignment with **Methyl- bromide** at a concentration of at least 48 grams per cubic meter of gas, for at least 24 h at 21°C and above. Furthermore, it is necessary for every 5 degree reduction in temperature resulted in an initial dose of 8 g of gas to be added. Disinfection at temperature less than 10°C is not acceptable.

Or

B) Disinfection of wood by **Heat Treatment** with temperature over 70°C for at least 4 hours. Presenting the original thermograph sheet stamped by the quarantine of the exporter country at the border of Iran is necessary.

Or

C) **Disinfection of wood by Kiln drying**, with standard procedures and minimum temperature of 74 degrees Celsius and according to the below table so that moisture in the end of process must be less than 14 percent with next table.

Time(h)	4	6	8	10	14	18	More than 18
Thickness (mm)	0-25	26-50	51-75	76-100	101-150	150-200	More than 200

Note: Checking the wood moisture at the point of entry is necessary.

3- Woods must be completely free from bark and holes caused by feeding of the insects' larvae.

4- Submitting the original Phytosanitary Certificate with mentioned conditions, as well as other necessary documents to quarantine experts at the time of inspection the consignment in destination border and customs clearance is mandatory. Otherwise, the importer will be found responsible for the consequences.

5- If the consignment is imported via a third country, a copy of phytosanitary certificate of the first exporter country (with all mentioned requirements) stamped by the second exporter country officials accompanied by the original Re-exporter certificate must be presented to quarantine officials at the point of entry and to the customs clearance office.