

## **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 country, state or territory where contents were grown, as per California Food and Agricultural 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	0075	0156	0246	0322	0395	0461
0005	0076	0157	0248	0323	0397	0462
0007	0077	0158	0249	0324	0398	0463
0001	0078	0159	0250	0325	0399	0464
0010	0080	0161	0251	0326	0402	0465
0011	0083	0162	0252	0327	0403	0468
0013	0084	0163	0253	0328	0404	0471
0014	0085	0165	0256	0329	0405	0472
0016	0086	0167	0259	0330	0406	0473
0018	0089	0168	0260	0332	0407	0474
0019	0091	0169	0261	0333	0410	0475
0020	0095	0171	0262	0334	0412	0476
0021	0096	0175	0263	0335	0413	0477
0022	0101	0176	0266	0337	0414	0478
0023	0104	0179	0268	0338	0415	0480
0026	0105	0183	0269	0339	0416	0482
0027	0107	0184	0270	0341	0418	0485
0029	0110	0185	0273	0342	0419	0486
0030	0111	0186	0274	0343	0420	0488
0031	0113	0188	0275	0344	0421	0489
<b>0032</b>	0114	0189	0277	0345	0422	0493
0033	0115	0190	0279	0347	0424	0497
0034	0116	0193	0280	0348	0426	0506
0037	0117	0194	0281	0349	0427	0507
0038	0118	0195	0282	0350	0429	125
0039	0119	0199	0283	0351	0431	159
0040	0121	0200	0284	0353	0432	312
0041	0122	0201	0285	0354	0433	313
0043	0123	0202	0287	0358	0434	330
0044	0125	0210	0289	0359	0435	447
0045	0127	0214	0290	0361	0436	464
0048	0128	0215	0291	0362	0437	477
0049	0131	0216	0292	0363	0439	482
0050	0132	0217	0293	0364	0440	501
0051	0133	0220	0294	0365	0441	512
0052	0134	0226	0295	0367	0442	542
0053	0136	0227	0296	0368	0443	543
0054	0139	0228	0298	0370	0445	545
0055	0140	0229	0300	0372	0446	561
0056	0141	0230	0302	0373	0447	569
0060	0142	0231	0304	0376	0448	587
0061	0143	0233	0305	0377	0449	622
0063	0144	0234	0308	0378	0450	632
0064	0145	0235	0309	0381	0451	645
0065	0146	0237	0312	0382	0452	649
0066	0148	0239	0313	0385	0453	654
0068	0149	0240	0314	0386	0455	688
0069	0150	0241	0316	0387	0456	699
0070	0151	0242	0317	0388	0457	722
0071	0152	0244	0320	0389	0458	726
0072	0155	0245	0321	0394	0459	756