

All articles are subject to inspection. The Agriculture Specialist will determine if the item is permitted. Regulations change often.

Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

- Fruits and vegetables grown in U.S. or Canada may be eligible to enter the US if they are clearly labeled (for example, Washington apples with stickers or commercial packaging.)
- All **citrus** (oranges, lemon, limes etc...) is **prohibited**.
- Field grown fruit may be eligible to enter when the item is in season in the US and Canada. (example: plums in June)
- All other fruits are restricted or prohibited year round.

Plants, Seeds, Propagative Materials and Soil

- All plants and propagative materials and soil are restricted. Contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) to obtain certification for plants and seeds before you come to the US. Contact the USDA-APHIS permit office if you plan to import soil.

Cut Flowers & Greenery

- Branches from fruit, nut, pine trees, laurel, cotton, hibiscus and grape are prohibited .
- Cut Flowers and greenery are subject to inspection.

Spices, Nuts, Rice & Herbals

- **Nuts, seeds, legumes, grains, and spices** grown in Canada require inspection. If origin is any other country or unknown, the product is restricted.
 - ◆ **Rice, chickpeas, soybeans, cucurbit seeds, and safflower seeds** are prohibited from 31 countries, including the greater Middle East and northern Africa and India.
- Herbal medicines or teas containing American ginseng, sliced deer antler, bird's nest, or certain seeds are restricted.
- Cooked, roasted or boiled, nuts, seeds, grains and spices are subject to inspection.

Please talk to an Agriculture Specialist if you have a specific item you would like to bring.

Meat and Animal Products

- Meats and animal products from Canada require inspection and are limited to 50 pounds.
- Meat and animal products including instant noodles from other countries are restricted or prohibited.
- Kibble **pet food** is allowed if in the original packaging. Raw, sundried, or dehydrated pet foods are restricted

Fish and Wildlife

Hunter-harvested wild game is subject to USDA and U.S. Fish and Wildlife restrictions.

Regulated items by USFWS include, hides, trophies, antlers, CITES listed plants/animals. **Feathers are strictly regulated.**

Live Animals & Birds

Dogs entering the United States from Canada must be over 6 months of age, appear healthy, present veterinary documentation of rabies vaccination with a microchip number included on the form, and be accompanied by *CDC Dog Import Form* receipt. Check CDC website for further information and to complete *Dog Import Form*.

Cats are unrestricted if origin is Canada.

Birds, hatching eggs, carp, and other live animals are restricted to ports with a USDA Veterinarian. Call USDA Vet Services before you travel.

Firewood

All firewood must have a heat treatment certificate. Travelers with prohibited firewood will be returned to Canada to dispose of firewood. Firewood is a common source of emergent pest outbreaks.

Don't Move Firewood! Buy It Where You Burn It!



Scan Here for CDC
Dog Importation
Homepage

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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Pacific Hwy - (360) 332-2351

Pacific Hwy Commercial Cargo - (360) 332-1640

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service - (360) 332-5388

Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)

(604)374-2019

USDA Veterinary Services

P.O. Box 1049

Sumas, WA 98295

Vet: (360) 988-5715

USDA Permit Office

Toll-free 877-770-5990

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Peace Arch (360)332-8511

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U.S Customs and Border Protection Agriculture Specialists safeguard agriculture and natural resources by excluding exotic agricultural pests and diseases from the United States. These efforts keep food prices low, reduce the use of pesticides and facilitate agriculture trade.

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Current Alerts

Avian Influenza (Bird Flu)

- All poultry products must be fully cooked.

Dogs Entering the United States from Canada

- CDC has new entry requirements, please see inside brochure for more information about traveling with your pet.

Tomatoes and Peppers From Canada

- To prevent the spread of Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus (ToBRFV), all varieties of tomatoes and peppers, whether cut, diced, whole are **prohibited**.

Cherry Fruit Fly Quarantine

- Cherries from Ontario and Quebec are prohibited

IMPORTANT:

Please declare all fruits, vegetables, plants, plant products, live animals, meats and animal products.

Failure to declare may result in penalties (fines) of \$300 or more.

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