



# BROADCAST

As you may be aware the Department of Agriculture have released the measures for Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) season 2022-23.

The 2022-23 BMSB seasonal measures will apply to targeted goods manufactured and shipped from the below target risk countries that have departed between 1 September 2022 and 30 April 2023 (inclusive), and to vessels that berth, load, or trans-ship from target risk countries within the same period.

Any target high risk or target risk goods which are manufactured in or shipped from the target risk countries will be subject to the BMSB seasonal measures. Any vessel that berths at, loads, or trans-ships from the target risk countries is also subject to the BMSB seasonal measures.

### Target Risk Countries

Albania	Andorra	Armenia	Austria	Azerbaijan
Belgium	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Bulgaria	Canada	Croatia
Czech Republic	France	Georgia	Germany	Greece
Hungary	Italy	Kazakhstan	Kosovo	Liechtenstein
Luxemburg	Montenegro	Moldova	Netherlands	Poland
Portugal	Republic of North Macedonia	Romania	Russia	Serbia
Slovakia	Slovenia	Spain	Switzerland	Turkey
Ukraine	USA			

Japan (heightened vessel surveillance will be the only measure applied).

The following countries have been identified as emerging risk countries for the 2022-23 BMSB risk season and may be selected for a random onshore inspection: **United Kingdom and China**

- China – random inspections will apply to goods shipped between 1 September to 31 December (inclusive)
- United Kingdom – random inspections will apply to goods shipped between 1 December to 30 April (inclusive)
- In addition to the target high-risk goods, chapters 94 and 95 will be subject to random inspections for emerging-risk countries

All shipments from target countries (regardless of if high-risk goods or not) will have to be declared to the departments of Agriculture.

[Target Risk Goods are found here](#)

In addition, the Department of Agriculture continues to review the changing risk status of BMSB and will also be undertaking random onshore inspections on goods from other emerging risk countries to verify pest absence in goods.

During this season it is very likely, your overseas agents or supplier will be asking for the HS code as it will be lodged to Australian customs and for any routed orders from High-risk countries, we will be asking the same.

For any target risk goods treatment will be done at origin. Regardless of whether the freight terms are prepaid or collect treatment fees will be collected in Australia.

## Important Information

- For any commodities from target countries that cannot be fumigated for any reason, the shipper MUST fill in a declaration to our overseas agents.
- As the BMSB for Master Consolidators lodgement must be done 5 days prior to arrival of the vessel, it is imperative, that we receive any lower manifest for LCL ASAP to ensure we meet the deadlines. Failure to send through the lower manifest in a timely manner, may result in delays in processing and late manifest fees.
- For any shipper or consignee who misdeclare the HS code (as it will be lodged to Australian customs) to ourselves or our overseas agents, this can create huge delays and can incur very expensive fine/costs.
- A misdeclaration, could result in storage & detention, treatment costs, and even re-export & import costs.
- Recovery of charges due to any misdeclaration, will be charged in Australia and will be the responsibility of the consignee. Payment of the charges will need to be received by us prior to release of any cargo.
- If you have **ANY** upcoming shipments which will load or transit via target risk countries, please advise your shippers/overseas agents of the import requirements into Australia at this time, and the consequences of misdeclaring cargo
- All breakbulk and Open Tops must be fumigated offshore. Any cargo not treated offshore will need to be re-exported for treatment.
- For any cargo that **CANNOT** be treated (i.e. Foodstuffs / Medicinal products), please ensure you notify your overseas agent that cargo cannot be treated.

If you have any questions regarding the BSMB season, feel free to contact our Import Team

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