Remember to be S.A.F.E.R.

With Solid Wood Packing Material (SWPM)

- Search SWPM for invasive insects
- Ask where your pallets come from
- Fix any problems through containment
- Educate clients about invasive pests
- Report detections to authorities

LOOK for tunnels

Insect larvae can live in and eat wood, creating tunnels and exit holes

WATCH for any pests

Check SWPM for presence of larvae or adult insects.

REPORT anything suspicious

Quarantine any suspect SWPM (cover with tarp and secure) and contact your local agricultural authority.

To report infested pallet wood or suspicious insects, contact the Mass. Dept. of Agricultural Resources at 617-626-1800 or email jennifer.forman-orth@state.ma.us

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