

# U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations



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# Wood Packaging Materials (WPM)

- Best Practices for Trade
- OFO's Efforts to Prevent Wood Boring Pests



# CTPAT Minimum Security Requirements

ID	Criteria	Implementation Guidance	Must/Should
8.1	<p>CTPAT Members must have written procedures designed to prevent visible pest contamination to include compliance with Wood Packaging Materials (WPM) regulations. Visible pest prevention measures must be adhered to throughout the supply chain. Measures regarding WPM must meet the International Plant Protection Convention's (IPPC) International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (ISPM 15).</p>	<p>WPM is defined as wood or wood products (excluding paper products) used in supporting, protecting, or carrying a commodity. WPM includes items such as pallets, crates, boxes, reels, and dunnage. Frequently, these items are made of raw wood that may not have undergone sufficient processing or treatment to remove or kill pests, and therefore remain a pathway for the introduction and spread of pests. Dunnage in particular has been shown to present a high risk of introduction and spread of pests.</p> <p>The IPPC is a multilateral treaty overseen by the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization that aims to secure coordinated, effective action to prevent and to control the introduction and spread of pests and contaminants.</p> <p>ISPM 15 includes internationally accepted measures that may be applied to WPM to reduce significantly the risk of introduction and spread of most pests that may be associated with WPM. ISPM 15 affects all wood packaging material requiring that they be debarked and then heat treated or fumigated with methyl bromide and stamped or branded with the IPPC mark of compliance. This mark of compliance is colloquially known as the "wheat stamp". Products exempt from the ISPM 15 are made from alternative materials, like paper, metal, plastic or wood panel products (i.e. oriented strand board, hardboard, and plywood).</p>	



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Training must be provided to applicable personnel on preventing visible pest contamination. Training must encompass pest prevention measures, regulatory requirements applicable to wood packaging materials (WPM), and identification of infested wood.



# National Agriculture Cargo Targeting Unit (NACTU)



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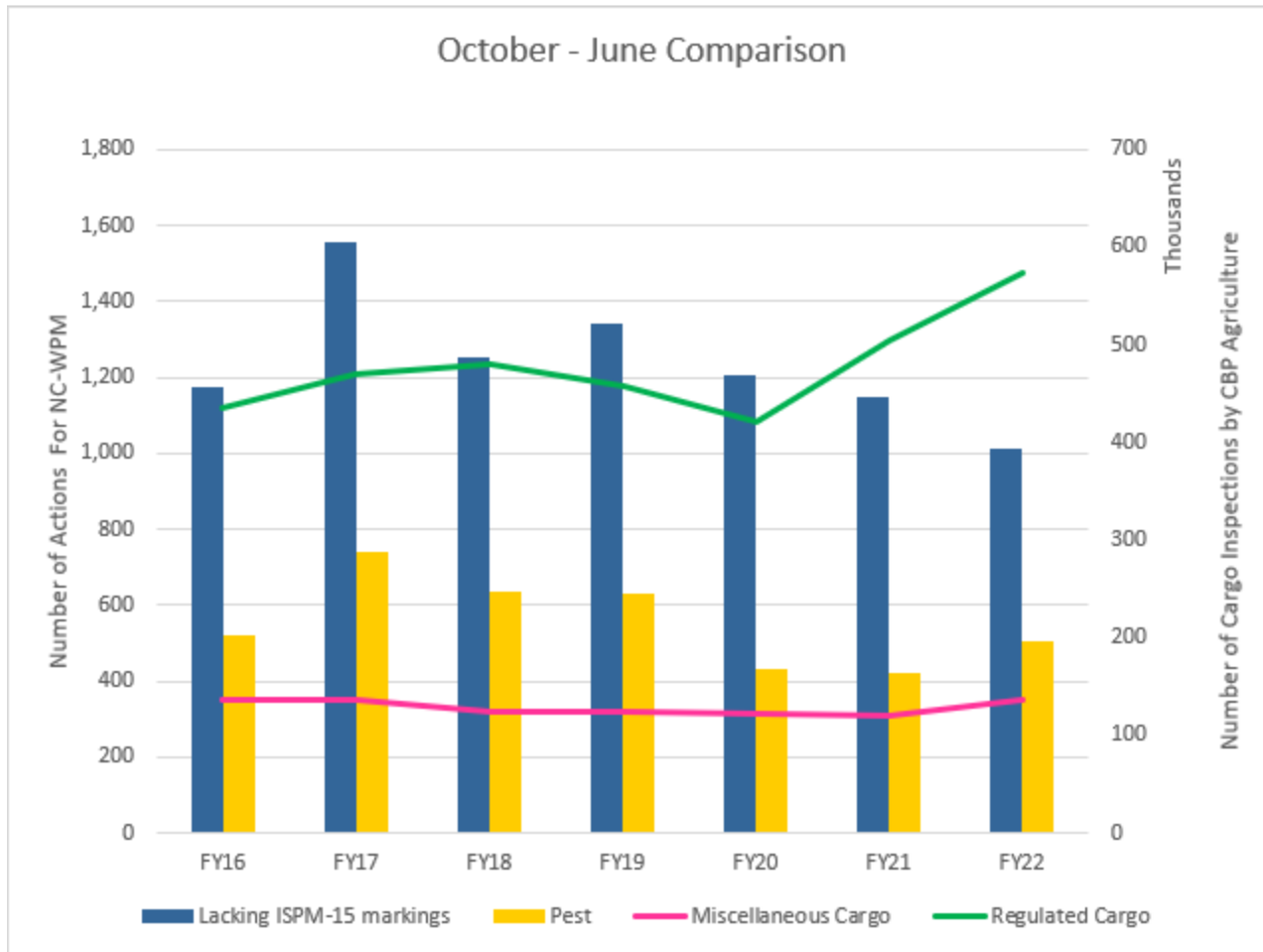
# WPM Inspection Results

Total Agriculture Inspections							
	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22 [3 Qtrs]
Miscellaneous Cargo	186,942	180,098	167,619	170,226	200,830	170,612	136,288
Regulated Cargo	565,588	602,236	617,361	581,411	556,804	678,575	573,088
<b>Total</b>	<b>752,530</b>	<b>782,334</b>	<b>784,980</b>	<b>751,637</b>	<b>757,634</b>	<b>849,187</b>	<b>709,376</b>

Non-Compliance							
	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22 [3 Qtrs]
Lacking ISPM-15 markings	1,604	2,001	1,660	1,825	1,662	1,460	1,013
Pest	664	892	752	746	509	548	503
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,268</b>	<b>2,893</b>	<b>2,412</b>	<b>2,571</b>	<b>2,171</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>1,516</b>



# WPM Actions vs Inspections





# Pest Interceptions

## Top 5 pest families

Cerambycidae

Curculionidae

Siricidae

Buprestidae

Bostrichidae



# Questions?

