



Summary of changes in the new IHS for Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment

MPI released the new Import Health Standard for Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment on 9 August 2018.

MPI is introducing more stringent measures to ensure imported vehicles and machinery are free of biosecurity contaminants such as Brown Marmorated Stink Bug.

All new requirements in the Import Health Standard that relate to the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug risk season come into force from the 1st of September 2018 and run until the 30th of April 2019. Other requirements for cleaning and certifying used machinery, and for heat treating and certifying used wire cables come into force on the 1st of December 2018.

Japan

MPI has a large focus on managing vehicles and machinery from Japan as contaminated car carrying ships from Japan caused import problems in February and March 2018. New and used imported vehicles and machinery will need to be treated during the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug risk season and cleaned before arrival in New Zealand.

Europe and the USA

MPI has been managing vehicles and machinery from the USA since 2014 and from Italy since 2017 for the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug. MPI will now require imported vehicles and machinery from another 14 countries in Europe to be managed in the same way.

MPI-approved treatments

The details of MPI-approved treatments may be found in [MPI Standard Approved Biosecurity Treatments](#).

MPI will also consider alternative measures/treatments to be approved. However, they must achieve the same outcome as the currently approved measures/treatments. If an importer wanted to use alternative measures/treatments they would need to prove to MPI that they achieved the same result.

Major changes included in the new Import Health Standard

The major changes in the Import Health Standard for Vehicles, Machinery, and Equipment include:

- **All Vehicles and Machinery from Japan:** All vehicles and Japan (new and used) must be managed through an MPI-approved system or be cleaned by an MPI-approved service provider. All vehicles and machinery must be fumigated or heat treated during the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Season. See Section 3.6 for more detail.
- **All Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment from Schedule 3 Countries:** Schedule 3 specifies requirements to manage Brown Marmorated Stink Bug for the European countries and the USA (as above). There are three options for management of vehicles, machinery and equipment. Option A involves management of vehicles, machinery and equipment through an MPI-approved system. Option B involves treatment for break-bulk vehicles, machinery and equipment. Option C involves treatment for containerised vehicles, machinery and equipment. See Section 3.7 for more detail.
- **Used Machinery from All Countries:** All used machinery (for any use or purposes) must be disassembled and cleaned; and must be certified as being clean. Vehicles and machinery from Japan and Schedule 3 countries may also have other requirements imposed. Section 3.1 for more detail.
- **Aircraft, Motor Boats and Yachts from All Countries:** All aircraft, motor boats and yachts (not arriving in New Zealand under their own power) must be thoroughly cleaned inside and out. Those from Japan and Schedule 3 countries must also be treated during the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug risk season with a residual insecticide before being shipped to New Zealand. This must be repeated on arrival in New Zealand and inspection will also be conducted. Section 3.5 for more detail.
- **Used Wire Cables from All Countries:** Used wire cables must be certified as being heat treated in the country of origin before shipping to New Zealand. Section 3.3 for more detail.