



C.H. ROBINSON

Client Advisory

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Update – Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Season, Australia

Dear Valued Customer,

Further to the announcement of the 2021-22 Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) seasonal measures, we have received the following notification from the Department of Agriculture, Water, and the Environment (the Department) of a limited BMSB verification regime across air cargo.

Due to detections of live BMSB in the previous season, air cargo arriving between September 1 and November 30, 2021 (inclusive) from USA and Italy, containing target high risk chapters 84, 85, 86 and 87 will be subject to random verification inspections.

The department has added the following clarification:

"The department has intention of running a limited BMSB verification regime across air cargo from September 1 to November 30 inclusive on target risk chapters 84-87 exported from Italy and US (highest risk chapters from highest risk countries).

"The department is still working through how best to implement the verification regime and thought must be given to the ever changing impact of COVID-19 in Sydney as well as the rest of Australia.

"The intention will be to shift verification regimes around so as not to double up on utilisation of Inspectors and create unnecessary additional burden on them and industry as a whole.

"When the department finalises the arrangement they will be in a position to be more overt in their cargo verification regime."

The BMSB seasonal measures are available on the [BMSB webpage](#).

Thank you for being our Valued Customer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your C.H. Robinson commercial representative for further information.

Sincerely,
C.H. Robinson