




State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Plant Quarantine Branch
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TO: Interisland Importers, Shippers and Transporters of Coffee Plants, Plant Parts, Unroasted Coffee Beans, Used Coffee Bags, and Coffee Harvesting Equipment

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SUBJECT: Requirements for Interisland Movement of Coffee Plants, Plant Parts, Unroasted Coffee Beans, Used Coffee Bags, and Coffee Harvesting Equipment, from Hawaii Island

The Department of Agriculture has established a rule to impose a quarantine on the intrastate movement of coffee plants, plant parts, green (unroasted) coffee beans, used coffee bags, and coffee harvesting equipment from Hawaii Island in order to prevent further spread of the coffee berry borer (CBB). Pursuant to chapter 4-72, Hawaii Administrative Rules, interisland movement of the aforementioned CBB host commodities, except for direct export out of State, is prohibited except by permit issued by the Department of Agriculture.

Effective February 24, 2012, all interisland shipments of CBB host commodities from Hawaii Island shall be inspected by a Plant Quarantine Branch (PQB) inspector prior to departure. Upon compliance of permit and/or safeguard requirements, the inspector shall affix to the shipment or the container or the delivery order in a conspicuous place thereon, a tag, label, or stamp to indicate the shipment was inspected and passed by PQB.

Inspection stations are located in Hilo at the Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Plant Industry Building at 16 E. Lanikaula St. (Ph. 974-4141) and at the Keahole Airport in Kona (Ph. 326-1077). There is no charge for interisland coffee permits; however, interisland inspection and certification fees may apply. To avoid unnecessary delays, requests for inspection should be made in advance by calling the Hilo or Kona PQB office. If there are any questions, please contact me at the PQB office in Hilo.

