



Notice to Industry

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European Union (EU) Phase out of Methyl Bromide Use

After **18 March 2010**, the use of methyl bromide in the (EU) will be banned for most purposes, including quarantine and pre-shipment fumigations.

In view of this ban, certificates for methyl bromide fumigations performed by EU countries post 18 March 2010 will not be accepted. The methyl bromide treatment provider lists will be updated accordingly. <http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/import/general-info/pre-border/afas/providers>

Depending on the target of the fumigation, alternative treatments may be available. This information is held on the AQIS Import Conditions database (ICON) found here <http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/import/icon-icd>.

Alternatively, consignments that require methyl bromide fumigations can be fumigated on arrival in Australia. These fumigations can be conducted by accredited onshore treatment providers <http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/import/general-info/co-reg/ccc/fumigation> or you can contact the local AQIS office to discuss other options.

Please note that ISPM15 packing declarations from these countries remain acceptable.