

### § 318.30

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a transit permit or limited permit for the fruits or vegetables or is a subsequent custodian of the fruits or vegetables. Failure to comply with all applicable restrictions and requirements under this section by such a person shall be deemed to be a violation of this section.

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#### Subpart—Sweetpotatoes

##### § 318.30 Notice of quarantine.

(a) The Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has determined that it is necessary to quarantine Hawaii and Puerto Rico to prevent the spread to other parts of the United States of the sweetpotato scarabee (*Euscepes postfasciatus* Fairm.), and the sweetpotato stem borer (*Omphisa anastomosalis* Guen.), dangerous insect infestations new to and not widely prevalent or distributed within or throughout the United States, and that it is necessary also to quarantine the Virgin Islands of the United States to prevent the spread to other parts of the United States of the sweetpotato scarabee.

(b) Under the authority conferred by section 8 of the Plant Quarantine Act of August 20, 1912, as amended (7 U.S.C. 161), and after public hearing as required thereunder, the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service therefore has quarantined Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States to prevent the spread of the sweetpotato scarabee (*Euscepes postfasciatus* Fairm.) and the sweetpotato stem borer (*Omphisa anastomosalis* Guen.).

(c) No variety of sweetpotatoes (*Ipomoea batatas* Poir.) shall be shipped, offered for shipment to a common carrier, received for transportation or transported by a common carrier, or carried, transported, moved, or allowed to be moved by any person from Hawaii, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands of the United States into or through any other State, Territory, or District of the United States: *Provided*,

That the prohibitions of this section shall not prohibit the movement of sweetpotatoes in either direction between Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands of the United States; nor prohibit the movement of sweetpotatoes by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for scientific or experimental purposes; nor prohibit the movement from Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States of sweetpotatoes which the Deputy Administrator of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs may authorize under permit or certificate to such northern ports of the United States as he may designate in such permit or certificate, conditioned upon the fumigation of such sweetpotatoes under the supervision of an inspector of said Programs either in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands of the United States or at the designated port of arrival, in a manner approved by the said Deputy Administrator; nor prohibit the movement from Hawaii of sweetpotatoes which the Deputy Administrator of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs may authorize under permit or certificate to such ports of the United States as he may designate in such permit or certificate, conditioned upon the fumigation of such sweetpotatoes in Hawaii under the supervision of an inspector of said Programs, in a manner approved by the said Deputy Administrator: *Provided, further*, That whenever the Deputy Administrator of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs shall find that facts exist as to pest risk involved in the movement of sweetpotatoes or any classification thereof to which this subpart applies, making it safe to modify, by making less stringent, the requirements contained therein, he shall set forth and publish such finding in administrative instructions specifying the manner in which the subpart should be made less stringent, whereupon such modification shall become effective.

(d) As used in this section, the term *State, Territory, or District of the United States* means “Guam, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United

States, or the continental United States.”

[24 FR 10777, Dec. 29, 1959, as amended at 36 FR 24917, Dec. 24, 1971; 37 FR 10554, May 25, 1972]

**§ 318.30a Administrative instructions authorizing movement from Puerto Rico of certain sweetpotatoes grown under specified conditions.**

The Deputy Administrator of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs hereby finds that facts exist as to the pest risk involved in the movement of sweetpotatoes to which § 318.30 applies, making it safe to modify by making less stringent the requirements of § 318.30 with respect to washed sweetpotatoes graded by inspectors of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in accordance with Puerto Rican standards which do not provide a tolerance for insect infestation or evidence of insect injury and found by such inspectors to comply with such standards. Hereafter, in addition to movement authorized under § 318.30(c), such sweetpotatoes will be eligible for inspection by a Branch inspector to determine whether they are free of the sweetpotato scarabee (*Euscepes postfasciatus* Fairm.) and for certification for movement from Puerto Rico to Baltimore, Maryland, and Atlantic Coast ports north thereof if found free of such insect, provided the sweetpotatoes are certified by an inspector of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as having been so washed and graded and as having been grown in accordance with the following procedures:

(a) Fields in which the sweetpotatoes have been grown shall have been given a preplanting treatment with an approved soil insecticide.

(b) Before planting in such treated fields, the sweetpotato draws and vine cuttings shall have been dipped in an approved insecticidal solution.

(c) During the growing season an approved insecticide shall have been applied to the vines at prescribed intervals.

The sweetpotatoes shall be inspected by an inspector of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs prior to shipment from Puerto Rico.

**Subpart—Territorial Cotton, Cottonseed, and Cottonseed Products**

QUARANTINE

**§ 318.47 Notice of quarantine.**

(a) The Secretary of Agriculture having previously quarantined Hawaii and Puerto Rico on account of the pink bollworm of cotton (*Pectinophora gossypiella* Saunders) and the cotton blister mite (*Eriophyes gossypii* Banks), insect pests new to and not widely prevalent or distributed within and throughout the United States, now determines that it is necessary to extend the quarantine to prevent the spread of these insects from the Virgin Islands of the United States, where they are known to occur.

(b) Under authority conferred by section 8 of the Plant Quarantine Act of August 20, 1912, as amended (7 U.S.C. 161) and having given the public hearing required thereunder, the Secretary of Agriculture hereby quarantines the Territory of Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States to prevent the spread of the said insect pests.

(c) All parts and products of plants of the genus *Gossypium*, such as seeds including seed cotton; cottonseed; cotton lint, linters, and other forms of cotton fiber; cottonseed hulls, cake, meal, and other cottonseed products, except oil; cotton waste; and all other unmanufactured parts of cotton plants; and all second-hand burlap and other fabric which have been used, or are of the kinds ordinarily used, for wrapping or containing cotton, are hereby prohibited movement from the Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the United States into or through any other State, Territory or District of the United States, in manner or method or under conditions other than those prescribed in the regulations hereinafter made or amendments thereto: *Provided*, That whenever the Deputy Administrator of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs shall find that existing conditions as to the pest risk involved in the movement of the articles to which the regulations supplemental hereto apply, make it