



Flakeboard Compliance with the Lacey Act

The Lacey Act is a wildlife protection statute that is administered by the United States Department of Agriculture and Plant Health Inspection Service. The act, that prevents the trafficking of “illegal” wildlife, fish, and plants, was recently amended to protect a broader range of plants and plant products. The Lacey Act now, among other things, makes it unlawful, as of December 15, 2008, to import, export, transport, sell, receive, acquire, or purchase interstate or via foreign commerce certain plants and plant products without an import declaration.

Flakeboard is in compliance with the Lacey Act.

The most recent Phase-In Schedule posted to the Federal Register (September 2, 2009) for the enforcement of import declarations does not include particleboard and mdf products. APHIS has indicated that at least 6 months notice will be given to affected individuals and industry in advance of adding products to the Phase in Schedule.

In the event that the import declaration becomes a requirement for our products, Flakeboard will supply the “**Plant and Plant Product Declaration Form**” for submission to customs with shipping documentation.

For further information, please visit the US Department of Agriculture and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS):

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/index.shtml

Phase-in Schedule:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/downloads/ImplementationSchedule.pdf

General Questions and Answers Regarding the Lacey Act:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/downloads/faq.pdf

Submit questions to:

<mailto:lacey.act.declaration@aphis.usda.gov>

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