Instructions for Completing PPQ Form 586
Application for Permit to Transit Plants and/or Plant Products through the United States

Please TYPE or PRINT legibly to complete. Do not leave any sections unfilled; for those that do not apply, please enter "N/A" (possible for numbers 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, and 14).

1. Enter the name of the company representative who is responsible for the shipment, the company name, and a street address. Post Office box number addresses are not acceptable.
2a. Enter the location of the first United States port of arrival and list any subsequent stops thereafter within the United States.
2b. Enter the country and location of the final destination outside the United States.
3. Enter both the company phone number and the company representative's work phone number. Be sure to include the Area Code and any extensions. Cell phone numbers are acceptable.
4. Enter a fax number, including the Area Code.
5. Enter an e-mail address. If you do not have an e-mail address or do not wish to use one, enter "N/A."
6a. Enter the country or countries from which the product is originally being shipped.
6b. Enter the approximate amount and/or quantity of each shipment.
6c. Enter the scientific (Latin) names for each plant or plant product. If you do not know the scientific names, enter the English common name of each plant.
7. Enter the location of storage and the time needed for storage. If storage is not needed, enter "N/A."
8. Enter the city and State of the port where transloading will occur. If not transloading, enter "N/A."
9a. Enter how the product will arrive, *e.g.*, air, ocean, truck, and/or rail.
9b. Enter how the product will be transported through the United States, *e.g.*, air, truck, and /or rail.
10. If additional packaging is being used, please describe the type, *e.g.*, shrink wrapping, pest proof screening, etc. If additional packaging is not being used, enter "N/A."
11. Indicate yes or no if the transloaded facility has a current compliance agreement with USDA. If not transloading, enter "N/A."
12. Indicate yes or no if the doors on the containers being used during shipment are solid and sealable.
13. Indicate yes or no if all openings in the containers being used during the shipment are protected by mesh screens. If there are no openings in the containers, enter "N/A."
14. Answer only if storage is necessary. If no storage is being used enter "N/A." If storage is being used, indicate yes or no if confirmation has been made with the storage facility that the facility can maintain the transiting cargo in a protected area to prevent loss or pilferage. Indicate "Yes" or "No" if the facility has a compliance agreement with USDA.
15. Enter the estimated time necessary to move the product from the point of entry into the United States to the port of exit.
16. Indicate the city and State of the port of exit from the United States.
17. The responsible person named in block 1 must sign the application. Print your name legibly below the signature.
18. Enter the date the application was completed and signed.

For any attachments, please type or print PPQ Form 586 with company name and contact name at the top of each page.

Send the application by facsimile to 301-734-0572, or mail the completed application to:

USDA-APHIS-PPQ, Permit Services, 4700 River Road, Unit 136, Riverdale, MD 20737-1236.

Please call 1-877-770-5990 if you have any questions.