

WHAT TO EXPECT IF EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB) IS FOUND IN CONNECTICUT?

1) The State of Connecticut Will Decide Whether to Quarantine

- The entire State
- County/Counties
- Part of a county
- ✓ If regulations enacted by the State of Connecticut are insufficient to stop the spread of EAB, or at the State's request, USDA may quarantine the State in its entirety.

2) Movement of Regulated Articles from the Quarantined Areas to Non-Quarantined Areas

- Movement is allowed with an approved treatment of the regulated article and if accompanied by a certificate.
- Movement of the regulated article is allowed during "Non-flight" season (October 1 – March 31) to an approved facility for treatment prior to emergence of EAB and if under a limited permit.

3) Regulated Articles

- All life stages of the Emerald Ash Borer.
- Hardwood firewood (non-coniferous).
- All species of *Fraxinus* (Ash)
 - Nursery Stock
 - Green lumber
 - Logs
 - Any other material living, dead, cut, or fallen, including chips, stumps, branches, roots and debris.
- Any article, product, or means of conveyance not listed above if an inspector determines that it presents a risk of spreading emerald ash borer.

4) Approved Regulatory Treatments

- Remove the bark and an additional ½ inch of wood.
- Follow a kiln sterilization treatment schedule. The maximum thickness of allowable wood is three inches.
- Fumigate with Methyl Bromide according to a treatment schedule.
- Heat Treat according to schedule (logs and firewood only).
- Chipped to less than 1" in at least two dimensions or follow an approved APHIS chipping or mulching protocol.
- ISPM 15 accredited treatments for WPM
- Nursery Stock of *Fraxinus* spp. – No treatments available.

5) Compliance Agreements

- Allows for movement of regulated articles from the quarantined area.
- Agreement between an approved establishment and state and/or federal agency.
- Defines acceptable treatments/mitigation of regulated articles.

6) The Movement of Regulated Articles in the Quarantined Area

- Regulated articles can move freely within the quarantine area.
- No compliance agreement is required.

7) What Can I Do?

- Be aware of the possibility of the presence of this insect in Connecticut, including becoming familiar with the signs of its presence on ash trees.
- Report any suspected finds.
- Be especially careful when moving any firewood, logs or young trees.

8) Reporting Suspect EAB Infestations in Connecticut and for Further Information

- Call the CT Agricultural Experiment Station at (Tel): 203-974-8474 or the following email address: CAES.StateEntomologist@ct.gov
- USDA, APHIS, PPQ Wallingford, CT (Tel): 203-741-5641

9) For Further Information on Emerald Ash Borer

- <http://www.emeraldashborer.info/>
- <http://www.stopthebeetle.info>
- <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/>
- <http://www.ct.gov/dep/forestry>
- <http://www.ct.gov/caes>

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