

## Predeparture Passenger Baggage Inspection Notice for Travelers from Bermuda to the United States

American agriculture is threatened by microscopic plant and animal pests and diseases. Travelers entering the United States may unknowingly carry these hitchhikers that could seriously damage American agriculture.

All baggage of travelers flying from Bermuda to the U.S. mainland is subject to a predeparture inspection. These inspections take place prior to departure at the airport by inspectors from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). Please be prepared to open and close your own baggage.

Passengers traveling to the United States are required to declare any meats, fruits, vegetables, plants, animals, and plant and animal products they are bringing with them. The declaration must cover all agricultural items in baggage, hand luggage, and vehicles.

If you have any agricultural items with you, please tell the inspector. Failure to declare any of these items may cause delays and result in fines of \$1,000 or more.

### **Agricultural Items Originating in Bermuda Permitted into the United States** (after inspection)

Aloe vera (above ground parts only)  
Avocado, fruit  
Banana, fruit and leaf without stalk  
Cannonball fruit  
Carambola, fruit  
Cheese  
Garlic cloves (free of papery skin)  
Gingerroot  
Guava  
Lemon, fruit  
Lime, sour  
Longan  
Onion

Orange, sweet (fruit)  
Papaya  
Passion fruit  
Peach  
Peanut  
Pet Birds—Entry requirements vary depending on the origin of the bird. Please consult USDA APHIS' Publication 1083 "Travelers' Tips" for details on the entry requirements for pet birds.  
Plant cuttings (except sugarcane, cotton, and sweet potato, subject to inspection)  
Potato  
Snail shells, if empty and thoroughly cleaned  
Singhara nut  
St. John's bread  
Strawberry  
Suriname cherry, fruit  
Tamarind bean pod  
Tangerine, fruit  
Tomatoes  
Truffles  
Water Chestnuts

Note: Commercially canned and thoroughly cooked foods are permitted. All permissible agricultural products are subject to inspection.

### **Items Originating in Bermuda Not Permitted into the United States**

Cotton and sweet potato cuttings  
Citrus leaves, fresh  
Herbs, fresh  
Fruits, fresh—All fruits are prohibited except for those on the above list.  
Insects, live  
Meats  
Plants in soil  
Seed cotton and cottonseed  
Snails (terrestrial)  
Soil  
Sugarcane  
Sweet potatoes and other vegetables, fresh—All vegetables are prohibited except those on the above list.

Lists are subject to change. For more information, please contact the USDA/APHIS office at the Bermuda International Airport by calling (441) 293-2752 or visit the APHIS Web site at [www.aphis.usda.gov](http://www.aphis.usda.gov). For recorded traveler information, please call 1-866-SAFEGUARD.

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