

## ***LBAM Frequently Asked Questions for Winegrapes***

### ***What does quarantine do***

Quarantines prohibit the movement of fruits, vegetables, plants, and related articles that serve as hosts or could harbor an exotic pest such as LBAM.

### ***Who needs a Compliance Agreement and what do I do with the Federal Shield?***

#### **Winegrape Grower in a Quarantine Area:**

In order to sell winegrapes, all producers of winegrapes in an area under quarantine must have a Compliance Agreement and a Federal Shield.

Give a copy of your Federal Shield to the transporter (hauler) of your grapes. The hauler then gives your Federal Shield to the winery with all the other paperwork with the load of grapes. Grapes from a quarantine area may only be transported by haulers with a Compliance Agreement to wineries with a Compliance Agreement.

#### **Transporters (Haulers) of Grapes from a Quarantine Area:**

All haulers of grapes from a quarantine area must have a Compliance Agreement and Federal Shield.

Keep a copy of your own Compliance Agreement and Federal Shield in your truck to show to the winery. The winery does not need a copy of your Federal Shield.

Give a copy of the grape grower's Federal Shield to the winery. Grapes from a quarantine area must be accompanied by a Federal Shield and can only be delivered to a winery with a Compliance Agreement.

If you are transporting stems from a winery receiving grapes from a quarantine area, the only Federal Shield that the green waste receiver needs to see is your's, the one you keep in your truck. These stems may only be transported to green waste receivers with a Compliance Agreement.

#### **Wineries Receiving Grapes from a Quarantine Area:**

All wineries receiving grapes from a quarantine area must have a Compliance Agreement.

All of the paperwork that comes with a load of grapes from a quarantine area must include the grower's Federal Shield. Keep a copy of the grower's Federal Shield with your records.

The haulers of the grapes must have a Compliance Agreement and Federal Shield for their trucking business and are required to keep a copy of their Federal Shield in their truck. Wineries are not required to keep a copy of the hauler's Federal Shield.

Stems which originated in a quarantine area, which are being transported to a green waste facility, may only be disposed of at a green waste facility with a Compliance Agreement. Additionally, the hauler of the stems must have a Compliance Agreement.

### **Green Waste Receivers of Grape Stems from Quarantine Areas**

Green Waste Receivers of grape stems from quarantine areas must have a Compliance Agreement.

The hauler of the stems must have a copy of their Federal Shield in the truck. (A link to the list a list of haulers with compliance agreement will be posted here by the end of July)

### ***When do tarps need to be used?***

#### **Winegrapes:**

The *only grapes* that need to be tarped at harvest time are those grapes being moved from a vineyard in a quarantine area *with a confirmed find of LBAM*. All other grapes in the quarantine area **do not need to be tarped**.

#### **Stems (Green Waste from a Winery Receiving Grapes from a Quarantine Area):**

All stems that have not been pressed, from grapes coming *from anywhere within the quarantine area*, must be tarped if they are going to be transported to a green waste receiver.

### ***What does material other than grapes include?***

This includes material that has not been pressed or fermented (e.g. leaves, rachis', and any other plant debris).

### ***Why does the winery need to tarp the waste that hasn't been composted, chipped, ground, or shredded when it's being hauled to a composter (an Approved Green Waste Facility)?***

There is a risk of larvae or pupae surviving the destemming process. Potentially infested winery waste must be moved off site in accordance with the California Vehicle Code.

***Who regulates composting and what are the requirements?***

The California Integrated Waste Management Board regulates composting operations. Chapter 3.1: Composting Operations Regulatory Requirements:  
<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Regulations/Title14/>

More information can be found at <http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Regulations/Title27/>