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Below is the Departments interpretation of A.A.C. R3-4-218 Boll Weevil Pests: Exterior Quarantine. This rule became effective January 4, 2020. The official rule will be published in the March 2020 version of the Arizona Secretary of State's registry.

## **R3-4-218. Boll Weevil Pest: Exterior Quarantine**

**A.** Definitions. In addition to the definitions provided in A.R.S. § 3-201, A.A.C. R3-4-101 and R3-4-201, the following terms apply to this Section:

1. "Cotton appliance" means a container used in handling cotton, including sacks, bags, tarps, boxes, crates, and machinery used in planting, harvesting and transporting cotton.
2. "Cotton lint" means the remnant produced when cottonseed is processed in a gin.
3. "Cottonseed" means a seed derived from cotton plants which is destined for propagation or other use.
4. "Fumigation certificate" means a quarantine compliance certificate that specifies the fumigation chemical used, the treatment schedule, and the commodity treated.
5. "Hibiscus" means all parts of *Hibiscus* spp.
6. "Pest" means the following, notwithstanding the definition in A.R.S. § 3-201:
  - a. Boll weevil, *Anthonomus grandis* (Boheman)
7. "Spanish moss" means all parts of *Tillandsia usneoides*.

**B.** Area under quarantine.

1. In the state of Texas, the following counties: Anderson, Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Brooks, Burleson, Burnett, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Camp, Cass, Chambers, Cherokee, Collin, Colorado, Comal, Cooke, Coryell, Dallas, Delta, Denton, De Witt, Dimmit, Duval, Ellis, Falls, Fannin, Fayette, Fort Bend, Franklin, Freestone, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hamilton, Hardin, Harris, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Hood, Hopkins, Houston, Hunt, Jack, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Johnson, Karnes, Kaufman, Kendall, Kenedy, Kinney, Kleberg, Lamar, Lampasas, La Salle, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Live Oak, Llano, Madison, Marion, Matagorda, Maverick, McLennan, McMullen, Medina, Milam, Mills, Montague, Montgomery, Morris, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Panola, Parker, Polk, Rains, Red River, Refugio, Robertson, Rockwall, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Shelby, Smith, Somervell, Starr, Tarrant, Titus, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Uvalde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, Wood, Zapata, and Zavala.

**C.** Regulated commodities.

1. Gin trash,
2. Cotton lint,
3. Cottonseed,

4. Used cotton appliances or equipment that have any cotton plants attached or contained therein,
  5. Cotton plants,
  6. Spanish moss, and
  7. Hibiscus plants.
- D. Restrictions.** A person shall not ship or transport into Arizona from an area under quarantine:
1. Gin trash, cotton lint, cottonseed, or used cotton appliances or equipment that have any cotton plants attached or contained therein unless the commodity or appliance is accompanied by an original fumigation certificate attesting the commodity or appliance has been fumigated as prescribed in the Treatment Manual.
  2. Cotton plants or hibiscus plants unless the commodity is accompanied by an original quarantine compliance certificate attesting the commodity was treated with a chemical to kill the pest and was visually inspected and found free of all live life stages of the pest within five days of shipment.
  3. Spanish moss, unless the commodity is accompanied by an original quarantine compliance certificate attesting the commodity was treated by one of the following methods:
    - a. Commercial drying; or
    - b. Chemical treatment using a pesticide registered and labeled for use on the commodity to kill all live life stages of the pest.