

Questions for Importers: Fruits and Vegetables (APO600)

[Includes fresh parts of plants intended for consumption or processing and not for planting]

What is the common name?

What is the genus and species?

What is the variety name, if any?

What is the country of growth/harvest?

Is the product accompanied by an APHIS permit, license or phytosanitary certificate or other certificate?

If so, what country and state issued it?

Is the license/permit/certificate single use, continuous (no end date) or general use (start and end date)?

Who was the permit/license/certificate issued to and what is their role?

What is the intended use, e.g. for consumer use as human food?

Is treatment required?

Is it an above-ground plant part?

Is it a below-ground plant part?

Other characteristics:

- Arils (false fruit)
- Bean
- Bean Pod
- Blossom
- Bulbs
- Calyx
- Clove
- Corm
- Flower
- Flower (with vegetable)
- Gall
- Husk
- Inflorescence
- Kernel
- Leaf
- Leaf bud
- Nut
- Pad
- Palm heart
- Pea
- Pod
- Rhizome
- Root
- Seed
- Shoot
- Spear

- Sprout
- Stem
- Tuber
- Whole plant
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What is the physical state - is it:

- raw?
- dry?
- peeled?
- shucked?
- cluster?
- hand?
- shredded?
- fresh chilled?
- fresh frozen?

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