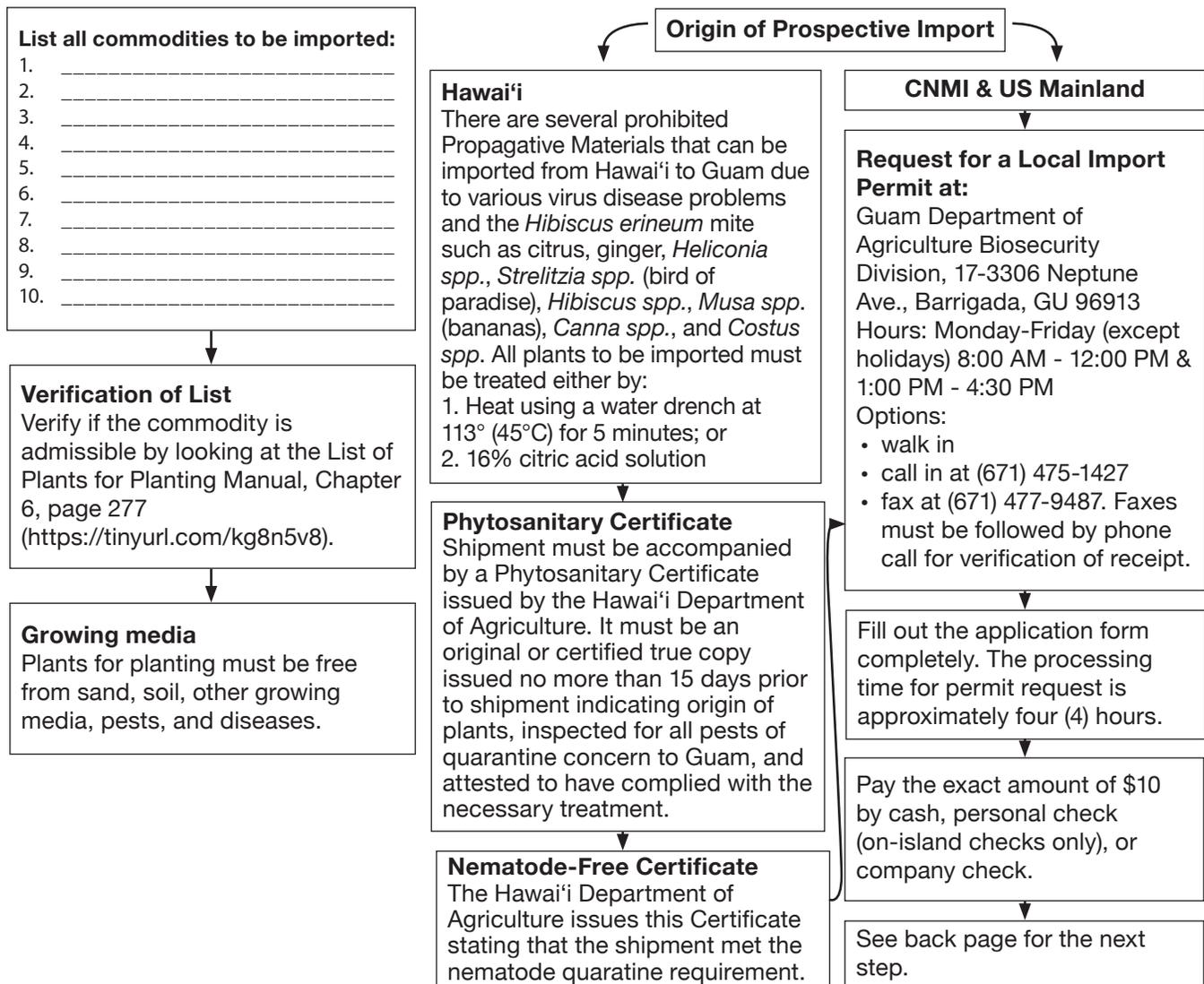


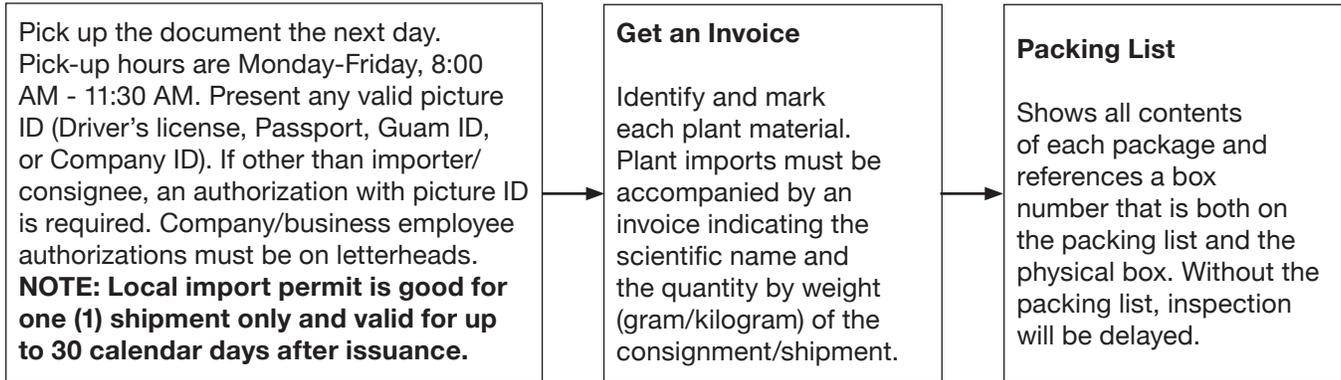
Domestic Import of Propagative Materials (Plants for Planting) to Guam

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This factsheet briefly summarizes the steps in obtaining an import permit for importation of Propagative Materials from the US mainland, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), and Hawai'i.





Packing Tips

Any restricted article at the time of importation or offer for importation to Guam shall not be packed in a packing material unless the plants were packed in the packing material immediately prior to shipment; such packing material must be free from sand, soil, or earth and has not been used previously as packing material. For the list of packing materials, visit <https://www.govregs.com/regulations/7/319.37-9>.

What is the intended means of importing the Propagative Material?
Note: Propagative Materials are not allowed to be handcarried on a plane trip.

U.S. Postal Service (USPS) or courier (DHL, FedEx, UPS, etc.)

1. All packages get sent to USDA-APHIS Plant Inspection Station where plants are inspected first - not at home, or a business address. Mail to: Guam Department of Agriculture, Biosecurity Division, 17-3306 Neptune Ave., Barrigada, GU 96913.
2. On a separate paper within the package, write name, address, and phone number of the intended recipient.
3. On the outer package, place a sheet of paper with the following information: general nature and quantity of the contents; country and locality where grown, name and address of shipper, owner, or person shipping or forwarding the plants for planting, and number of the written permit authorizing the importation if one was required.

Note: By law, a customer is liable when a seed package is directly delivered (usually via USPS Priority Mail) to the mailing address bypassing USDA-APHIS inspection. When this happens, bring the received package to the Plant Inspection Facility for inspection.

Sea/Air Cargo

1. Packages must be routed, unopened, to the Plant Inspection Station, 17-3306 Neptune Ave., Barrigada, GU 96913.
2. Write the following information on a sheet of paper and attach to the package or attach to the plant (if not placed in a box): general nature and quantity of the contents; country and locality where grown, name and address of shipper, owner, or person shipping or forwarding the plants for planting, name and address of consignee, shipper's mark and number, and number of written permit authorizing the importation, if one was required.
3. A packing list must accompany each package of material. For shipments with more than one (1) package, a copy of the invoice must be enclosed within Package No. 1, which means that all packages must have consecutive numbers.

Based on the payment receipt, take note of the expected delivery date. Notify the Plant Inspection Station of the shipment's arrival preferably 24 hrs. in advance. Notice should be given at least by Friday afternoon if the package(s) will come in on a Sunday or a Monday holiday. The importer must provide personnel for offloading purposes. See page 46 for more details (<https://tinyurl.com/kg8n5v8>).