# Phytosanitary measures for International Postal and Courier Service in Rep. of Korea



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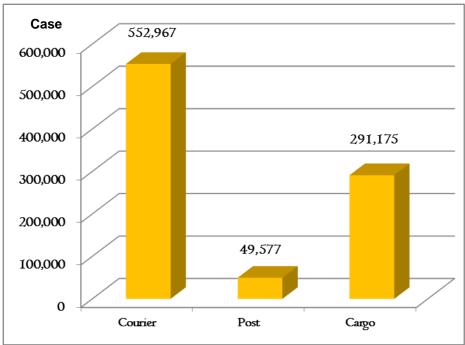
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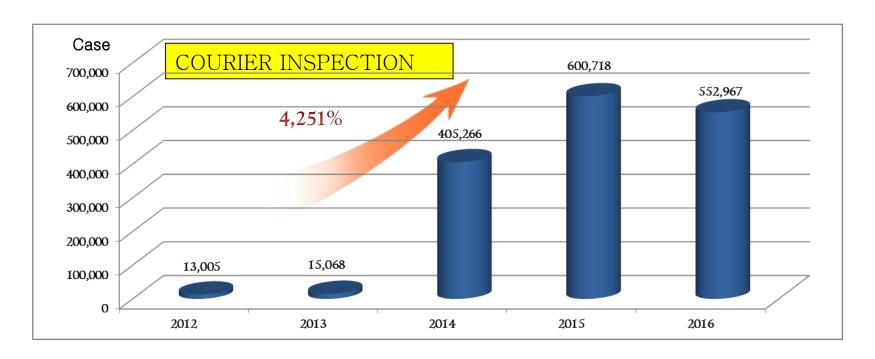
#### The Quarantine situation for Couriers in Korea(2016)

- Import Inspection(Case) for Plants: About 900 thousand
   (except for Hand-carry): Courier 552,967 Post 49,571 Cargo 291,175
- Courier accounts for about 60% of import inspection cases

Route	Unit	Inspection		
		Case	Amount	
Courier	M/T	541,164	341	
	1,000 m³	7	<1	
	1,000ea	11,796	522	
Post	M/T	33,443	47	
	1,000ea	16,128	599	
Cargo	M/T	211,743	30,983,528	
	1,000 m³	32,042	11,461	
	1,000ea	47,390	1,059,437	
Total	M/T	786,350	30,883,916	
	1,000 m³	32,049	11,461	
	1,000ea	75,314	1,060,558	



## Quarantine Situation in Recent 5 years



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## Status by transportation (2016)

- Courier Inspection(2016): total 552,967 cases
- Usually imported by Air

Transportation	Inspection Organization	Port	Inspection (Case)
Δ:	Incheon Airport Regional Office	Incheon Airport	548.377
Air	Gimpo Airport Direct Office	Gimpo Airport	160
Sea	Jungbu Regional Office	Incheon seaport	4,430



#### COURIER INSPECTION SYSTEM

#### Legislations

Plant Protection Act Article 12 (Inspection on Imported Plant)

With the increase in couriers, Plant Protection Act has been amended for smooth quarantine to allow courier companies to apply for inspection. (2016.12.)

Before the revision, only importers or agents could apply for the inspection

- •QIA Announcement "Inspection method for Imported Plants"
  - [Table 12] it specifies inspection tips for plant quarantine items imported through courier, application for inspection, and regulations on inspection result processing and on storage of the couriers by export companies.

#### Registration and Management for Express Company

Registration

Courier company must be registered with the customs manager in accordance with Article 222 (1) of the Customs Act

Clearance

Customs clearance can be accomplished at their own facilities in case that Courier company have X-ray facility and personnels

Education

X-ray inspectors of courier company must take at least 16 hours of training every year from the agency designated by the Commissioner of Customs. (Training session on quarantine is also required.)

Import Declaration

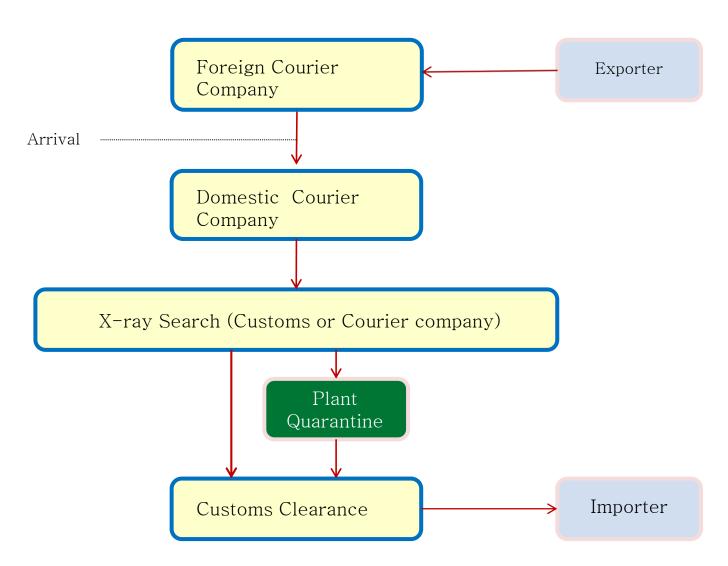
Courier company on behalf of the importer can file an import declaration and apply for plant quarantine inspection

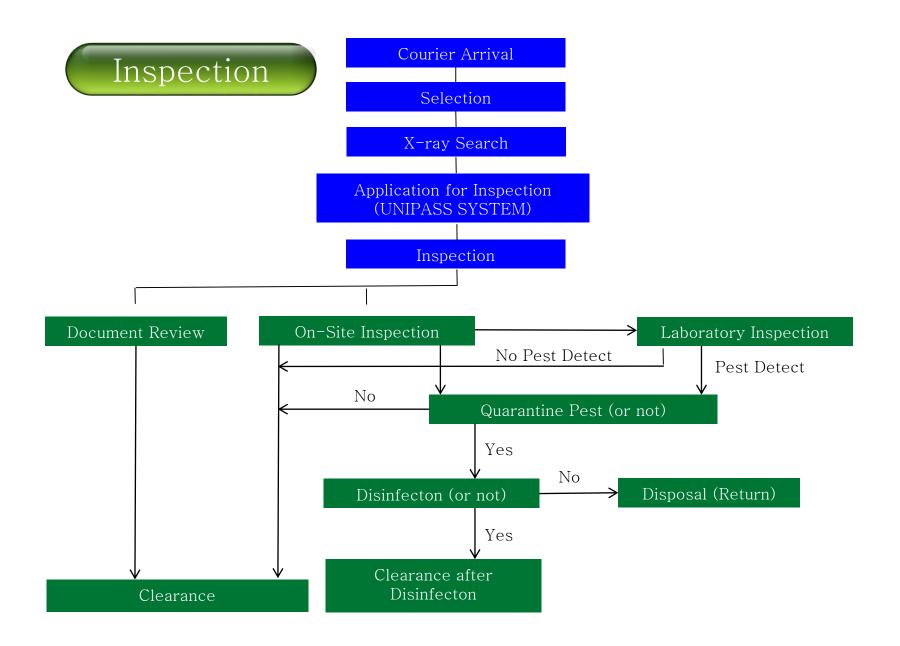
Audit

The customs authorities check the courier company twice or more every year regarding the adequacy of operation, the implementation of laws and regulations and the management of couriers.

#### Flow Chart for Courier

#### Import





#### Application for Plant Quarantine

Application through UNI-PASS SYSTEM of Customs(<a href="http://portal.customs.go.kr">http://portal.customs.go.kr</a>)



#### Document Review (Low Risk Items)

[Method] Document review. Exemption from on-site inspection and laboratory inspection

[Items] Plants with low risk of pest infestation such as dried flower, fruits and vegetables that are packed hermetically



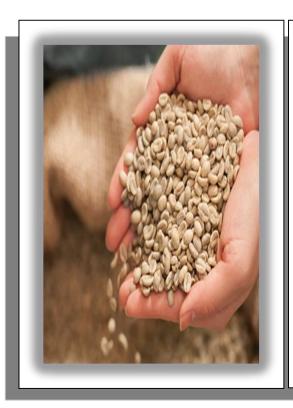




### On-Site Inspection (Legulated Articles)

[Inspection Method] Inspecting the presence of prohibited Items and pest infestation

[Items] Grains, vegetables, Lumber and frozen plants etc.







# Laboratory Inspection (High Risk Items)

[Inspection Method] conducting tests in a precise manner via Device testing and bacterial culture in laboratory on samples and pests collected on site [Items] Seeds, Bulbs, Seedlings and Other Plants for Planting







## Inspection Procedures

①
Take-In
Selection



②
Movement
of
Selected Items
(After X-Ray)



3 Prepare for Inspection



Document Review



**⑤** Inspection



**6** Completion



# Thank you!