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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Brief Summary of What the Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Means for You

Spotted Lanternfly (SLF), *Lycorma delicatula*, is a threat to Pennsylvania and the United States. It lays egg masses of 30-50 eggs wherever there's a flat surface, and adults and nymphs can fly, hop, or drop into a vehicle – meaning that vehicles and equipment can easily pick up this pest and help it spread quickly. Therefore, a general quarantine over any area found to harbor the SLF means that any material or object that can spread the pest cannot be moved without taking precautions to prevent that spread.

Current 26 Quarantine Counties as of March 5, 2020: Allegheny, Beaver, Berks, Blair, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Mifflin, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Philadelphia, and Schuylkill, and York.

Examples of Regulated Articles:

- Any living life stage of the SLF.
- Landscaping, remodeling or construction waste.
- Firewood of any species.
- Packing materials (e.g., wood crates).
- All plants and plant parts including logs, stumps or any tree parts.
- Outdoor household articles like RVs, lawn mowers, chairs, grills, tarps, tile, stone, deckboards, and trucks or other vehicles not stored indoors.

Note: Beekeeping equipment is not specifically mentioned here, but SLF can lay eggs on hive boxes, lids, bottom boards, stands, pallets, etc. Beekeepers should check equipment, vehicles, trailers, etc. for SLF.

Non-commercial Beekeepers/Homeowners – To move regulated articles, complete a compliance checklist, which indicates you inspected and know that no living life stage of SLF is present. You may wish to take the free training found on this website: <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly>. **To move bees in hive and/or equipment to another state, please contact your Apiary Inspector or State Apiarist (kroccasecc@pa.gov or 717-346-9567). You must be inspected and issued a permit prior to leaving the state whether you are in a quarantined county or not.**

Commercial Beekeepers, Businesses, Municipalities, Government Agencies – A permit is required for those located or working within the quarantine, who move vehicles, products or other conveyances within or out of the quarantine. The permit requires training and passing a test to demonstrate a working knowledge and understanding of the pest and quarantine requirements. Training of employees, inspection of vehicles and products, and removal of living life stages of SLF must be completed. The permit shows you have the understanding to identify the pest and can ensure the items you transport aren't carrying it. **To move bees in hive and/or equipment to another state, please contact your Apiary Inspector or State Apiarist (kroccasecc@pa.gov or 717-346-9567). You must be inspected and issued a permit prior to leaving the state whether you are in a quarantined county or not.**

Those with current compliance agreements may continue to utilize the agreement and certificates issued until contacted by PA Department of Agriculture.

Additional information may be found at:

https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Plants_Land_Water/PlantIndustry/Entomology/spotted_lanternfly/Pages/default.aspx

and <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly>

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