
 United States Department of Agriculture

BUREAU OF ENTOMOLOGY AND PLANT QUARANTINE

COFFEE QUARANTINE

NOTICE OF QUARANTINE NO. 73

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

The coffee industry in Puerto Rico established early in the history of the Island has fortunately remained free from at least two of the world's most destructive coffee pests, the coffee berry borer and the coffee rust. The object of the present quarantine is to ensure the continued freedom of Puerto Rican coffee cultures from these and other coffee insects and diseases by prohibiting or restricting entry into the Island of those coffee materials which might be the means of introducing such pests. It is believed that the measures put into effect by this quarantine will attain this end and at the same time provide for as much freedom of movement as would be consistent with safety.

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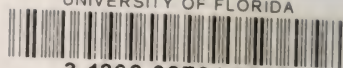
Acting Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine.

SEC. 319.73—NOTICE OF QUARANTINE NO. 73 ON ACCOUNT OF COFFEE PESTS

(Approved March 20, 1940; effective April 1, 1940)

Having found that an injurious coffee insect (*Stephanoderes [coffae] Hgdn. hampei* Ferr.), known as the coffee berry borer, and an injurious rust disease due to the fungus *Hemileia vastatrix* B. and Br., not heretofore widely prevalent or distributed within and throughout the United States, exist in various countries and localities throughout the world, I, Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, pursuant to the provisions of the Plant Quarantine Act of August 20, 1912 (37 Stat. 315; 7 U. S. C. 151-167), as amended, have determined that, in order to prevent the introduction of the said pests into the Island of Puerto Rico, it is necessary to prohibit or restrict the importation into that Island from all foreign countries and localities of unroasted seeds or beans of coffee (*Coffea* spp.), coffee fruits or berries, and coffee plants and leaves.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the said Plant Quarantine Act, the public hearing required thereby having been duly held, notice is hereby given, first, that on and after April 1, 1940, the importation into the Island of Puerto Rico from all foreign countries and localities of (1) the seeds or beans of coffee which, previous to importation, have not been roasted to a degree which, in the judgment of an inspector of the Department of Agriculture, will have destroyed coffee borers in all stages, (2) coffee berries or fruits, and (3) coffee plants and leaves, is prohibited except by the Department of Agriculture for experimental and scientific purposes, and except for samples of unroasted coffee seeds or beans, and for shipments of unroasted coffee seeds or beans in transit to destinations other than Puerto Rico; and, second, that the importation of samples of unroasted coffee seeds or beans, and importations of unroasted coffee seeds or beans in transit to destinations other than Puerto Rico, shall be made only under the restrictions provided in the rules and regulations supplemental hereto: *Provided*, That individual shipments of materials prohibited or restricted by this quarantine may be exempted from its provisions in whole or in part when it shall have been determined by the Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine



tine that entry of the shipment in question may be made without risk of pest introduction.¹



Done at the city of Washington this 20th day of March 1940.

Witness my hand and the seal of the United States Department of Agriculture.

H. A. WALLACE,
Secretary of Agriculture.

RULES AND REGULATIONS SUPPLEMENTAL TO NOTICE OF QUARANTINE NO. 73

(Approved March 20, 1940; effective April 1, 1940)

Regulation 1

SEC. 319.73-1. *Permit.*—All importations shall be made under permit and only at the port of San Juan.¹

Regulation 2

SEC. 319.73-2. *Inspection and Safeguard Provisions.*—Coffee samples shall not exceed 1 pound in weight and may be imported by mail, freight, express, or baggage. They shall be subject on arrival to inspection and fumigation or such other treatment as the plant quarantine inspector may require.¹

Regulation 3

SEC. 319.73-3. *Restrictions on In-transit Shipments.*—In-transit shipments to foreign countries shall be subject to the Plant Safeguard Regulations issued October 4, 1932 (Secs. 352.2 to 352.8), or as hereafter revised. The same restrictions shall apply to shipments in transit to destinations elsewhere in the United States.¹

These rules and regulations shall be effective on and after April 1, 1940.

Done at the city of Washington this 20th day of March 1940.

Witness my hand and the seal of the United States Department of Agriculture.



H. A. WALLACE,
Secretary of Agriculture.

¹ Secs. 319.73 to 319.73-3 issued under authority contained in 37 Stat. 315; 7 U. S. C. 151-167.