




Japanese beetle quarantine and growers

The Washington State Department of Agriculture has established a rule prohibiting the movement of certain items out of the Japanese beetle quarantine area. The quarantine impacts farmers, growers, landscaping companies, and others who live, work, or travel through the quarantine area.

ALWAYS PROHIBITED	PROHIBITED MAY 15 - OCT 15	NEVER PROHIBITED
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soil or sod (turf)• Plants not free from soil, such as mint roots, fruit trees and bushes, nursery stock, and potted plants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hop vines and cones• Unshucked corn ears• Cut flowers• All plants and plant cuttings: brush, branches, roots, leaves, grass clippings, weeds, and other yard or farm waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dormant plants and bulbs free from all soil• Harvested and with no beetles present:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- cherries- apples- peaches- apricots- grapes- baled hay- grains- dried mint- processed hop cones

Growers may move prohibited items with a compliance agreement

Growers must obtain a compliance agreement from WSDA's Plant Services Program **before** moving any prohibited item outside the quarantine area.

Compliance agreements will be specific to each grower and crop, but may include requirements such as:

- No beetles detected in WSDA-placed and monitored Japanese beetle traps in or near the regulated field.
- Treatment records detailing the application of an approved insecticide.

For additional questions, contact the Plant Services Japanese beetle specialist, Anthony Ayers, at Anthony.Ayers@agr.wa.gov or (360) 870-5069. You may also contact the Plant Services Program at plantservices@agr.wa.gov or by calling 360-902-1922 or 360-902-1874.

Visit agr.wa.gov/beetles for more information about Japanese beetle and the quarantine.

Quarantine map as of 4/2024

