**AEI reporting requirements for khapra beetle sea container treatments**

The khapra beetle urgent actions introduces mandatory offshore treatment conditions for target risk sea containers. See what this means for AEI reporting requirements below.

Khapra beetle target risk containers include FCL/FCX\* containers where…

1. [High-risk plant products](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/plant-products#list-of-highrisk-plant-products) are packed into the sea container in a [khapra beetle target risk country](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/urgent-actions#list-of-khapra-beetle-target-risk-countries).
2. Other goods are packed into the sea container in a khapra beetle target risk country and destined to a [rural khapra risk area](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/sea-container-measures#measures-for-sea-containers-unpacked-in-a-rural-khapra-risk-postcode) of Australia.

*\*ISO tanks, reefers, flat racks, LCL/FAK and containers that will be shipped as empty containers are excluded from the measures.*

**Offshore treatment options**

Important: the target of the khapra beetle treatments is the sea container and not the goods being imported within the container.

**Methyl bromide fumigation**

Container must be fumigated at an [approved treatment rate](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/sea-container-measures#methyl-bromide-fumigation_2). Treatment can be conducted prior to or after loading the goods.

**Heat treatment**

Container must be heat treated to at least 60oC for a minimum of three hours. Treatment must be conducted prior to loading the goods.

**Insecticide spray**

Container must be sprayed with a formulated insecticide product containing the active constituent deltamethrin. Treatment must be conducted prior to loading goods.

**Treatment certificates**

If the treatment used was…

* Heat or insecticide spray, the treatment certificate must only cover the container treatment. If the goods also require treatment, a separate treatment certificate must be presented.
* Methyl bromide, the treatment certificate can cover both the container and the goods treatment, provided that it meets the [minimum requirements](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/sea-container-measures#treatment-certification) for both.

Important: the container risk/treatment certificate must be assessed before the commodity risk is assessed. Use the [BICON case: Khapra beetle sea container measures](https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/) for further guidance.

**Permitted treatment providers**

The urgency of the khapra beetle measures means that we will initially accept treatment certificates from both:

* Treatment providers that are registered under one of our existing schemes and on the [List of treatment providers](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/import/before/prepare/treatment-outside-australia/offshore-treatment-providers), including the Australian Fumigation Accreditation Scheme (AFAS) and the Offshore Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) Scheme.
* Treatment providers that are not registered with the department.

Note: treatments will not be accepted from treatment providers listed as suspended, under review or withdrawn on the [List of treatment providers](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/import/before/prepare/treatment-outside-australia/offshore-treatment-providers). Treatments will not be accepted from unregistered treatment providers listed as under review or unacceptable.

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| Treatment type | Permitted treatment providers |
| Methyl bromide | If treated in:* an [AFAS country](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/import/before/prepare/treatment-outside-australia/afas), a treatment provider listed as approved on the [List of treatment providers](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/import/before/prepare/treatment-outside-australia/offshore-treatment-providers) must be used, unless a phytosanitary certificate is also provided.
* a non-AFAS country, either a registered treatment provider or a unregistered treatment provider can be used.
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| Heat treatment | In all countries, either a registered treatment provider or a unregistered treatment provider can be used.  |
| Insecticide spray | In all countries, either a registered treatment provider or a unregistered treatment provider can be used.  |

Important: We strongly encourage using registered treatment providers where possible. In the longer term, using a registered treatment provider will become mandatory.

**AEI reporting requirements**

For assurance purposes, brokers are required to enter an AEI number for all treatment certificates covering khapra beetle target risk containers. See below table for detail.

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| **Step** | **Action** |
|  | Was the treatment certificate issued by a registered treatment provider (i.e. their AEI number is listed on the treatment certificate)?

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| **If…** | **Then…** |
| yes | Select the treatment provider’s AEI number from the reference file in the ICS\* or 3rd party software. |
| no | Continue to next step. |

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|  | Is the treatment provider listed as unacceptable or under review on the unregistered treatment provider list on the [offshore treatment providers](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/import/before/prepare/treatment-outside-australia/offshore-treatment-providers) website?

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| **If…** | **Then…** |
| yes | Select the AEI assigned to the unacceptable or under review treatment provider in the ICS\* or 3rd party software. The entry will be referred to the department for assessment and the container/s (and goods within the container/s) will be directed for onshore treatment if permitted.  |
| no | Select the relevant generic AEI code for the treatment type in the ICS\* or 3rd party software. |

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\*There is a temporary technical issue with ICS software that prevents brokers who use the Custom Connect Facilities (CCF) to interface ICS for FID lodgment from viewing all available AEIs. If you use this software and cannot locate an AEI number:

* Refer the entry to us using BCOM
* Note the referral reason when lodging documentation in COLS.

This issue does not affect brokers using 3rd party software.

Website: [agriculture.gov.au/khapra-urgent-actions](https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/urgent-actions)

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