

CENTURY FASTENERS CORP. QUALITY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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Non-Manufactured Wood Products Heat Treatment Quality Assurance Provision (QAP)

In accordance with the requirements of the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) 15, the following commercial heat treatment process has been approved by the American Lumber Standards Committee (ALSC) and is required for all Wood Packaging Material (WPM). Boxes/pallets and any wood used as inner packaging made of non-manufactured wood shall be heat-treated. All WPM shall be constructed from heat treated (treated to 56 degrees Celsius -core temperature- for 30 minutes) lumber and certified by an agency accredited by the ALSC in accordance with Wood Packaging Material Policy and Wood Packaging Material Enforcement Regulations (see URL: <http://www.alsc.org>). The box/pallet manufacturer and the manufacturer of wood used as inner packaging shall ensure traceability to the original source of heat treatment Marking. Each box/pallet shall be marked to show the conformance to the International Plant Protection Convention Standard. The quality mark shall be placed on both ends of the outer packaging, between the end cleats or end battens. Pallet markings shall be applied to the stringer or block on diagonally opposite sides and ends of the pallet and be contrasting and clearly visible. All dunnage lumber used in configuring and/or securing the load shall also comply with ISPM-15 and be marked with an ALSC approved dunnage stamp, marked at two foot intervals (in the case of dunnage shorter than 2 feet, each piece must still have the mark present). Foreign manufacturers shall have the heat treatment and marking of non-manufactured wood products verified in accordance with the ISPM-15 compliance program. Heat treat requirements for all non-manufactured wood applies to this contract. Foreign manufacturers shall also have the heat treatment of non-manufactured wood products verified in accordance with their National Plant Protection Organization's compliance program.