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Aquaculture Pathology Lab Clients

It appears as though there have been more restrictions placed on incoming international shipments due to COVID19. We have been receiving multiple communications from couriers regarding incoming samples being shipped to us without the appropriate documentation to pass customs.

**International Clients-Please Note:**

Under the “Restrictions and Precautions” section of the permit, it states a copy of the import permit must accompany the sample and that the shipper must provide an original signed document describing the contents (identifier/lot#). It is also helpful to explain that the samples are for testing purposes only and are not being sent for human consumption.

Please make sure your shipments come with the appropriate documentation. The notifications we have received stated they will give the shipper up to 2 days to respond and if not, the packages will be denied and returned to sender.

For access to our current USDA import permits, please visit our website at [aquapath.lab.arizona.edu](http://aquapath.lab.arizona.edu)

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any questions or concerns. We appreciate your understanding and patience during this difficult time. We hope everyone stays safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Aquaculture Pathology Laboratory