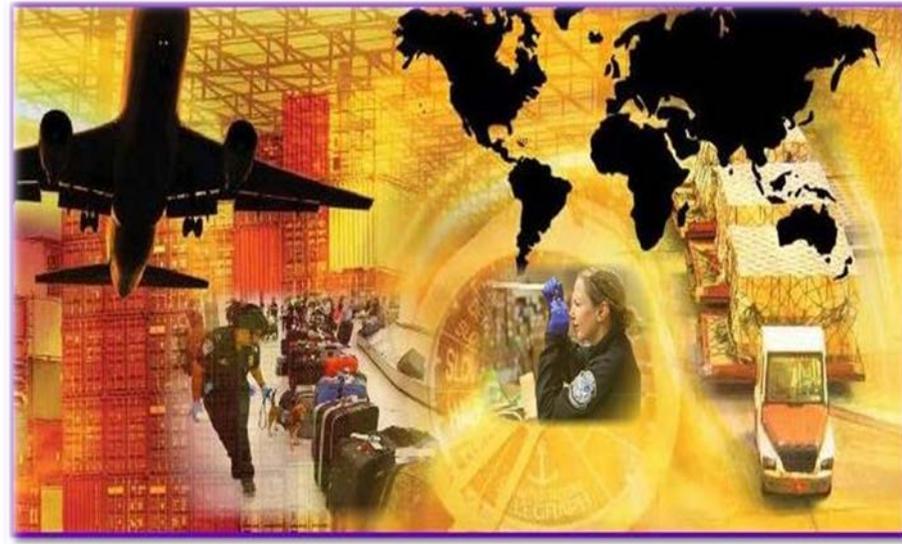


U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations (OFO) Agriculture Programs and Trade Liaison (APTL)

Regulatory Role of CBP at U.S. Ports of Entry

CDC Import-Export Permit
Webcast

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Missions of CBP and APTL

- Facilitate legitimate trade and travel
- Agricultural pest and disease exclusion
- Prevent entry of terrorists and tools of agriculture and biological terrorisms

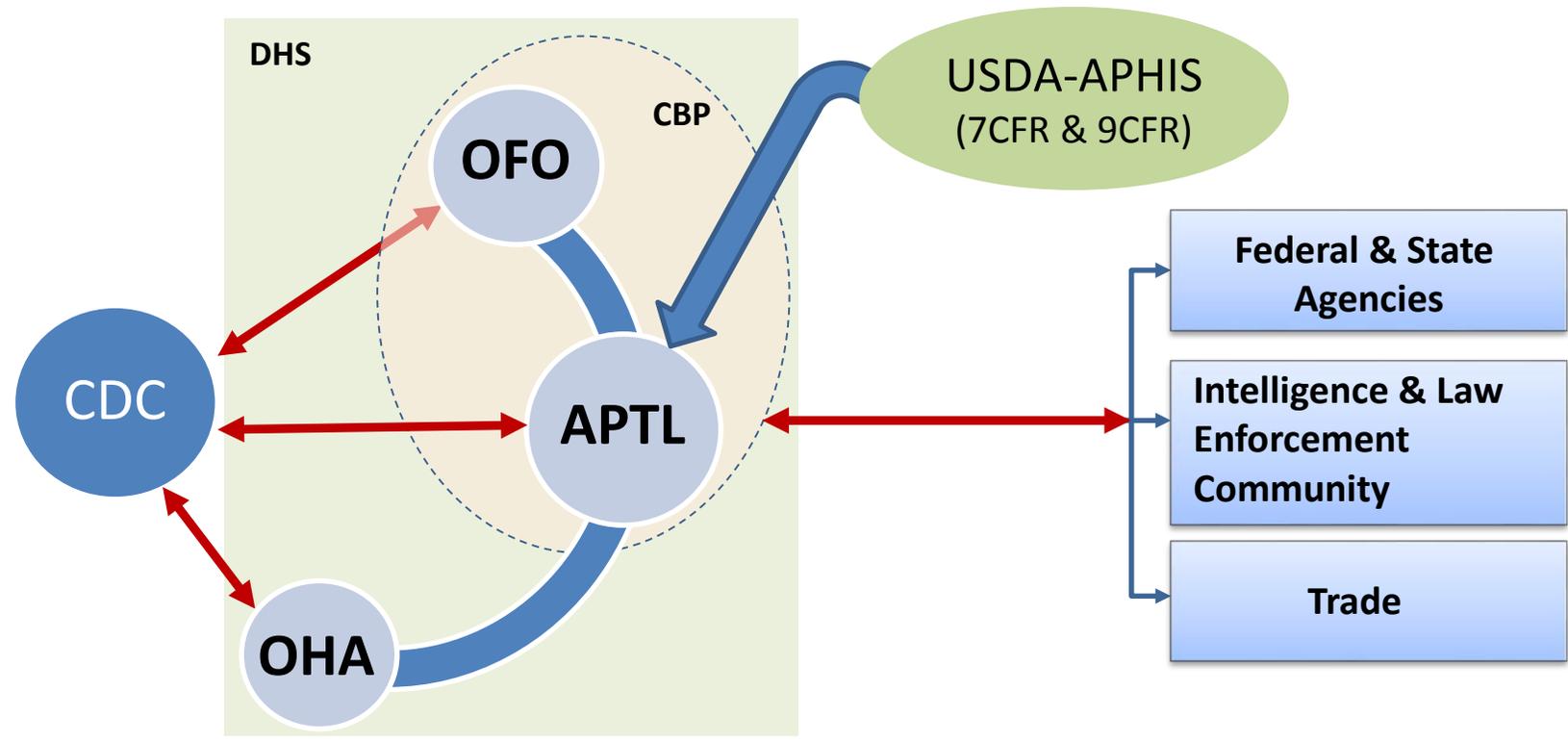


U.S. CBP Ports of Entry (POE)

- Total POE – 328
- Pre-Clearance – 16
- Express Consignment Carrier Facility - 19
- POE Staffed by Agriculture Specialists -182
- Total CBPAS - 2,417



CBP-APTL Collaborations



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How CBP Assist CDC Enforce its Regulations

Screening Potentially Sick Travelers

Operational Procedure:

- Assist “No boarding”
- Visual assessment for signs and symptoms
- Temperature checks (e.g., Ebola)
- Secure, isolate, referral of ill traveler to CDC Quarantine Station staff and public health officials



Trade Compliance to Regulations

Importation of bushmeat and carriers of pathogenic human diseases

Operational Procedure:

- Referral/transfer custody of restricted products to CDC or Fish & Wildlife Services (FWS)



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Trade Compliance to Regulations

Importation of live non-human primates, turtles, African rodents, and dogs

Operational Procedure:

- Entry Verification
- Check Permit Compliance
- Notification to CDC Quarantine Station staff (or APHIS, FWS)



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Trade Compliance to Regulations

Importation of etiologic agents and vectors

Operational Procedure:

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- Check Permit Compliance
- Notification to CDC Quarantine Station staff (or APHIS)



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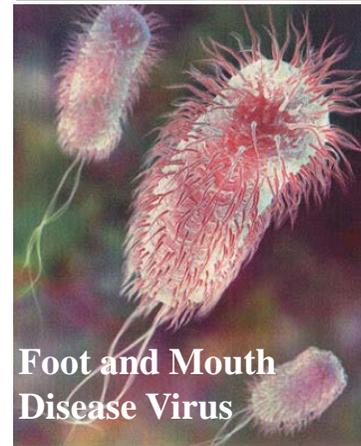


Trade Compliance to Regulations

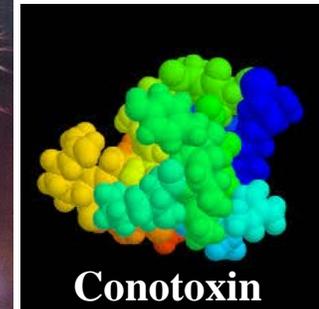
Importation of select agents and toxins

Operational Procedure:

- Entry Verification
- APHIS/CDC Form 2
- Letter of Authorization (APHIS)
- Referral to APHIS/AgSAS or CDC/DSAT for adjudication (with issues)



Foot and Mouth Disease Virus



Conotoxin



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International Garbage Compliance Agreement

- Joint USDA/CBP effort
- Regulated Garbage Handling
- Compliance Agreements
- Training, Handling, Destruction
- Monitoring and Inspection



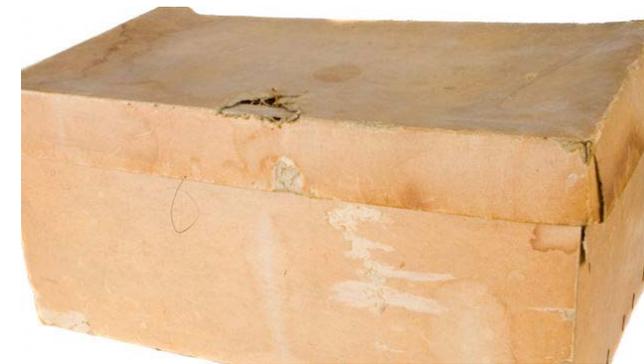
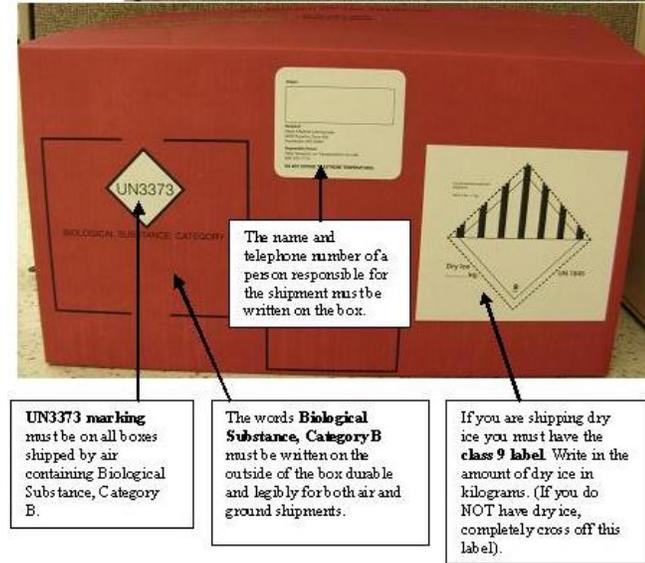
Commercial Cargo Environment

- Entry examination includes:
 - Advanced screening of imports
 - Document review (only) at POE
- All packages and luggage referrals to CBP agriculture secondary are subject to non-intrusive inspection (X-ray)
- Advanced notification of shipment to CBP recommended
- Appropriate markings, required labels, and content description must be visible outside the package



Packaging and Shipping

- Labels, biohazard sign, appropriate UN marking must be legible and clearly visible
- Quantity (weight) of dry ice must be clearly indicated
- Secure and isolate unmarked, damaged, and leaking packages - bound for destruction



Passenger Environment

- Travelers are asked to declare prohibited agricultural and biological products
- Etiologic and bioagents packages are not opened; referrals are made to CDC or USDA/APHIS
- CBP POE have no facility to store biohazardous materials
- Seized prohibited materials are destroyed or transferred custody

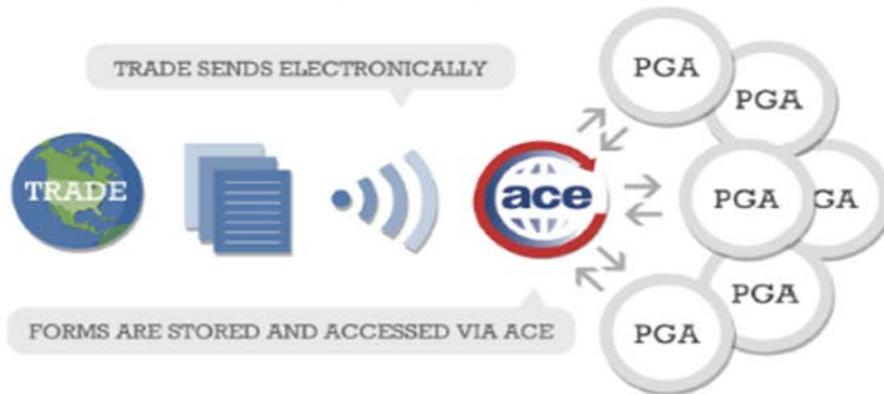


What the Future Holds...

ACE SINGLE WINDOW DOCUMENT IMAGE SYSTEM

The Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) will become the Single Window, the one system through which the international trade community submits import and export information and the Government determines admissibility. The Document Image System (DIS) is an ACE feature that eliminates the need to send paper forms to the Government in order to comply with import and export regulations.

HOW DOES DIS WORK?



WHAT FORMS CAN BE SENT VIA DIS?

- General forms not specific to any agency, such as invoices or packing lists
- CBP forms to support Cargo Release/Simplified Entry
- Ocean export manifests
- Specific forms for six initial Partner Government Agencies (PGAs)



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Questions?

