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AHEC issues Trade Alerts for China and India

Be advised: As China begins to return to work, and trade shows are rescheduled, “as of April 22, 2020, China’s policy is to enforce a 14-day quarantine on foreigners arriving in the country. Also, all visas issued before March 28th, 2020 have been “temporarily suspended, and new visas would be required for any travel to China, until further notice.” Detailed information regarding China travel requirements and guidelines is available from the U.S. Department of State Overseas Security Advisory Council at www.osac.gov.

India Phytosanitary Certificate Requirements

In April, the USDA-FAS post in New Delhi notified the American Hardwood Export Council (AHEC) “that U.S. exporters of kiln dried (KD) hardwood lumber must fully endorse Phytosanitary Certificates with the KD details when shipping to India.”

- **Be advised:** “Simply attaching the company KD certificate to the Phytosanitary Certificate and leaving boxes 1-6 on the Phyto blank will not be sufficient, and will result in long delays in clearing the shipment, as well as hefty penalties.”
- Guidance on how to correctly complete the Phytosanitary Certificate in full is available [here](#).

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