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	You must use the most current version of the application form (attached)			
Applications	Send original and 2 copies directly to CDFA: California Department of Food and Agriculture			
	PEST EXCLUSION BRANCH			
	1220 N Street, Room 325			
	Sacramento, CA 95814			
	Available online: http://phpps.cdfa.ca.gov/PE/InteriorExclusion/CPTM/pdf/Form66_085.xls			
	You will receive a returned copy by mail. This confirms receipt by CDFA; if not received, please call.			
	Please submit a separate application for each field.			
	Applications must be filled out completely, incomplete applications cause delays and we may not be able to inspect until you submit the necessary information.			
	Alfalfa: March 10 th			
Deadlines	Onion: May 1 st			
Deaumes	Wheat: Tillering stage, usually December/January			
	Other: Case-by-case, call if you have concerns			
	Map must be included with application.			
Maps	Must be clear, legible, include cross streets, and indicate which field is to be inspected.			
Iviaps	Bad or unclear maps are the primary cause of inspection delays or inspections on the wrong field.			
	We will be contacting you for any map discrepancies found, but this may cause delays.			
	Any substantial changes to an application must be confirmed in writing, usually email.			
	We will be calling regularly to confirm that the fields are safe to enter and ready for inspection.			
	What we need to know:			
Communication	Is the field recently irrigated/too wet to enter? Is the field in the right stage of growth? For alfalfa, at least 8 inches tall? Anything else that you may consider a safety concern.			
	Invoices are mailed out monthly to the address listed on the application.			
	They are due on the 20 th of each month, and past due on the 25 th .			
Billing	Services may be suspended until payment is received.			
	Failure to submit payment in a timely manner may result in suspension of inspections and ultimately			
	the inability to certify a particular field.			
Fees	\$10.00 Processing Fee for each application received			
	\$3.00/acre For each field inspection trip, with a minimum charge of \$90.00			
	\$40.00 Seed samples, if requested.			
	Requests are the responsibility of the applicant and must be made in writing.			
Cancellation	Inspections performed prior to request will be invoiced as usual.			
	Without a cancellation request all inspections will be performed and billed.			

<u>Please remember that good communication between the seed company, the grower, and the Agricultural</u> <u>Commissioner's Office is important so that all inspections can be done safely and on time.</u> Failure to comply with the conditions of the program may result in the inability of the Agricultural Commissioner to issue a phytosanitary certificate for the field inspected seed. If you have any questions about your applications or our procedures, please do not hesitate to call or email.