



Canadian Food
Inspection Agency

Agence canadienne
d'inspection des aliments

Harbour District Office
BC Coastal Operations

Email: harbour@inspection.gc.ca
Tel: 604-292-5812

September 3, 2015

Memorandum to: Shipping Agents, Canadian Grain Commission, and other Stakeholders

This notice is to advise that there will be a change made to the CFIA inspection process for ships loading grain in Canada. The change is specific to ballasted holds following an internal review of the policy and procedures by the CFIA.

Previous Procedure:

Vessel holds cleared for loading and subsequently re-ballasted are subject to a re-inspection of the ballast hold before loading.

New Procedure:

Vessel holds cleared for loading and subsequently re-ballasted are no longer required to undergo re-inspection by the CFIA. The original CFIA 1281 Ship Inspection Approval for Loading applies to the subject vessel for the time the vessel is in Canada.

As a result of this policy clarification, the CFIA will no longer deliver re-inspection of previously approved ballast holds. This change will come into effect Tuesday September 8, 2015.

If you have any questions regarding this procedural change, please contact me. Please distribute to any stakeholders that may benefit from this information.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Geoff Bradley, A/Supervisor
Harbour Operations
604-292-5738
geoffrey.bradley@inspection.gc.ca