



Canada Border Services Agency
International Events and Convention Services Program
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BC Landscape & Nursery Association
1995 Fraser Highway
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In response to your correspondence dated February 24, 2020; the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) - International Events and Convention Services Program (IECSP) officially recognizes the following event:

CanWest Hort Expo
September 30-October 01, 2020
TRADEX – Fraser Valley Trade & Exhibition Centre
Abbotsford, BC

The information provided to the CBSA states there will be approximately 2500 attendees and that the event is closed to the general public without sales.

This event is expecting approximately 15 foreign exhibitors who are importing display booths, publications and convention material for use at the event. Non-Canadian exhibitors may import display items and exhibit booths temporarily as outlined in the provisions of tariff classification **9993.00.00.00** duty free, on the condition that the goods will be exported from Canada upon the completion of the event.

Goods imported for sale are not eligible under tariff No. 9993.00.00.00. These goods must be accounted for at time of release on a Form B3, *Canada Customs Coding Form*. Commercial release processing is fully explained in Customs Memorandum D17-1-5.

Goods imported as “giveaways” must also be accounted for at time of release on a Form B3, *Canada Customs Coding Form* with all applicable duties and/or taxes collected at the time of importation.

The CBSA requires a security deposit on goods temporarily imported to Canada. Normally, these goods are documented on a *Temporary Admission Permit* (E29B). Under certain circumstances, the CBSA may waive the requirement for goods being temporarily imported to be documented on the E29B as well as the posting of a security deposit. Provided at the time of importation, the conditions of temporary importation previously described are met, the IECSP



recommends that both the requirement for display booths, computers, printed advertising materials and videos to be documented on a Form E29B and the posting of a security deposit be waived.

CBSA requires everyone seeking admission into Canada to properly declare themselves to CBSA by providing accurate identification. CBSA will accept a valid passport as proof of citizenship. Persons who have been convicted of any criminal offences may be inadmissible to Canada. For more information please visit:

<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/inadmissibility/index.asp>

If you have attendees from visa-requiring countries (<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp>), please contact the Special Events Unit of Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) at special.events@cic.gc.ca with the specifics of your event. They will assess the visa requirements of your event.

Visa-exempt foreign nationals, excluding US citizens, require an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. For more information please visit www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta-start.asp.

To ensure that organizers and participants of your event are aware of requirements for entry to Canada, the information provided to the CBSA may be shared with CIC. The CIC may, in turn contact event organizers to confirm details of your event and provide further direction regarding admission to Canada for those attending your event.

To facilitate border procedures it is recommended that foreign attendees and exhibitors be provided a copy of this letter for presentation to a CBSA Border Services Officer upon their arrival to Canada.

In conjunction with the presentation of this Recognition Letter, an itemized list of goods including a description, country of origin, quantity and value is required for presentation to CBSA. If your event materials will be imported by a commercial carrier or courier service, a copy of this letter should also be attached to any shipping documents.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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*The information you provide in this document is collected under the authority of **Section 107(9) of the Customs Act** for the purpose of the facilitation of border coordination services for organizers of international events being held in Canada. The information may be disclosed to Other Government departments and/or Agencies (e.g. Citizenship and Immigration Canada) for the purposes of providing assistance with admissibility requirements.*

*Individuals have the right of access to, the protection and correction of their personal information under the **Privacy Act – Section 12**. The information collected is described under the **International Events Personal Information Bank CBSA PPU 040** which is detailed at www.cbsa.gc.ca/agency-agence/reports-rapports/pia-efvp/atip-ajprp/infosource-eng.html*