

Australian Biosecurity Import Permits

Update April 2020

Due to recent updates the Australian Department of Agriculture and Water Resources now classifies the components of Oxford Nanopore Technologies products as diagnostic test kits. Our products are for Research Use Only, and the categorisation is due to the combination of protein and oligonucleotides in our sequencing kits.

The Australian Department of Agriculture and Water Resources regulates products imported into Australia to ensure the unique biodiversity of the country is protected.

The importation of products containing biological components is, by law, subject to biosecurity import conditions. Some products are not permitted to enter Australia while other products are only allowed into Australia subject to meeting import conditions that mitigate the biosecurity risk.

Oxford Nanopore Technologies takes its responsibility extremely seriously and have worked with the Australian Government to define the permits that will allow importation of our products. There are two suitable import conditions;

Oxford Nanopore Technologies has written shipping documentation (Manufacturer's Declarations) to ensure customers receive their products as efficiently as possible by ensuring we match the permit conditions for the above product category.

Prior to order approval, you will be asked to provide a valid import biosecurity import permit to ensure that products delivered to Australian customers can pass into the country without delay. Upon receiving the permit to import quarantine material, please notify Oxford Nanopore Technologies of your permit number at support@nanoporetech.com so that we can reference it on your shipping documentation.

Oxford Nanopore Technologies is not responsible for customers applying for the correct permit. Permits cannot be updated once an order has been placed, as Australian customs will not allow products to be released from customs if they have an incorrect import permit.

Please refer the 'How to Apply for the BICON Import Permit' guide to apply for one of the above permit types. **Please follow the guide accurately;** Oxford Nanopore has reviewed the available import conditions extensively based on the unique combination components in our sequencing kits and the manufacturing methods.

How to apply using BICON

This is a guide on how to apply for the Import permit using the BICON website.

Customers will be required to register for an account with the Biosecurity Import Conditions System (BICON) to apply for an import permit. Information on the registration process can be found via the link below:

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/online-services/bicon/register-account>

Having completed the registration process, and obtained log in credentials, please proceed as follows:

1. On the BICON homepage, <https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/>, please select the 'Import Conditions' tab from the header options:



2. Enter into the Quick Search Field 'Diagnostic Test Kit' and select the first option;

Import Conditions

Search Import Questions Import Conditions Onshore Outcomes

Quick Search Scientific Name Tariff Code

Diagnostic test kits Search

Search parameters Import into: Australia Effective On: 30 April 2020 Advanced Search

Search Results

Select an import item that best matches what you want to import to continue the process.

Non Commodity
Non commodity conditions apply to all packaging, containers and transport methods used to bring goods into the country. Refer to the Non Commodity case to review the non commodity conditions related to your import.


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Diagnostic test kits Alerts
Effective 25 April 2020 to present

This case describes the requirements for the import of **diagnostic test kits**. **Diagnostic test kits** included in this case may be imported to diagnose conditions in humans, animals and the environment. **Diagnostic test kits** covered by this case include those **testing** for: pathogens (e.g. viruses, bacterial, prions) substances (e.g. drugs, chemicals) conditions (e.g. vitamins, minerals, pregnancy, hormone levels) environmental conditions. **Diagnostic test kits** may also be known as in-vitro **diagnostics** (IVDs). **Diagnostic test kits** may also be known by the technique they employ, such as, polymerase chain reaction (PCR) **kits**, or enzyme linked immunoassays (ELISA) **kits**.

Matched Term: Diagnostic, test, kits, Diagnostic test kits, testing, diagnostics, Kit

3. Select diagnostic test kits not testing for disease agents.

 **Case: Diagnostic test kits Effective: 25 Apr 2020**

This case contains a number of different import scenarios with associated import conditions. You can refine the import scenarios by answering the questions below.

Which of the following best describes the goods?

For personal consignments of diagnostic test kits please refer to the BICON case [Human therapeutics and medicines](#).



For diagnostic test kits containing human blood and tissues (excluding antibodies and cell lines) only, please refer to the BICON case [Human therapeutics and medicines](#).

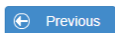
For diagnostic test kits containing synthetic material only, please refer to the BICON case [Synthetic material](#).

For diagnostic test kits containing highly refined organic chemicals only, please refer to the BICON case [Highly refined organic chemicals and substances](#).

For plant diagnostic test kits, please refer to the BICON case [Plant diagnostic kits](#).

Please refer to the [Listed Human Diseases](#) and [zoonotic diseases of biosecurity concern lists](#).

<input type="checkbox"/> Nucleic acid amplification (e.g. PCR) diagnostic test kits	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic test kits not testing for disease agents	
<input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic test kits testing for human conditions, excl. Listed Human Diseases and zoonotic diseases	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

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Please scroll to the bottom the next screen, where there is an option to apply for the permit under the selected conditions:

To apply for an import permit you must complete an application for Diagnostic and research only kits

 Apply Now

When customers have received the import permit from BICON, please forward the permit number to support@nanoporetech.com