

COUNTY SMALL HIVE BEETLE POLICIES

Small hive beetle (*Aethina tumida* or SHB) is a B-rated pest commonly found infesting bee shipments. All counties have been surveyed regarding how they want SHB infested shipments handled when destined to them. If SHB is found and confirmed by our lab refer to the chart on the next page and:

- If the “Will Not Accept SHB” box is checked, reject the shipment with the options of returning out-of-state or diverting to a county that will accept the beetle.
- If the “Will Accept SHB” box is checked, send to destination under Warning Hold Notice (66-008) as outlined in [Section 1.6.1](#), with the note that SHB was found in the comments section.

Note

Small hive beetle adults and larvae feed on honey, pollen, and bee brood inside the hive. For this reason, shipments infested with small hive beetle may not be reconditioned by cleaning the exterior of the hives and pallets.

County SHB Policies

SMALL HIVE BEETLE POLICY FOR COUNTIES - REVISED VERSION October 12, 2023

	WILL NOT ACCEPT	WILL ACCEPT
Alameda	X	
Alpine	X	
Amador	X	
Butte	X	
Calaveras	X	
Colusa	X	
Contra Costa		X
Del Norte	X	
El Dorado	X	
Fresno		X
Glenn	X	
Humboldt	X	
Imperial	X	
Inyo		X
Kern		X
Kings		X
Lake		X
Lassen	X	
Los Angeles	X	
Madera		X
Marin	X	
Mariposa		X
Mendocino		X
Merced		X
Modoc	X	
Mono		X
Monterey		X
Napa	X	
Nevada	X	

	WILL NOT ACCEPT	WILL ACCEPT
Orange		X
Placer	X	
Plumas	X	
Riverside		X
Sacramento	X	
San Benito		X
San Bernardino		X
San Diego	X	
San Francisco		X
San Joaquin		X
San Luis Obispo	X	
San Mateo		X
Santa Barbara		X
Santa Clara		X
Santa Cruz	X	
Shasta	X	
Sierra	X	
Siskiyou	X	
Solano		X
Sonoma	X	
Stanislaus		X
Sutter	X	
Tehama	X	
Trinity	X	
Tulare		X
Tuolumne	X	
Ventura		X
Yolo	X	
Yuba	X	