



**Shipping Samples (International) to Desert Research Institute
Quaternary Pedology and Soil Characterization Laboratory**

- (1) Samples should be double-bagged, if possible
- (2) Samples need to be shipped in a sturdy container (e.g. heavy cardboard box, ice chest, etc.) that is securely sealed
- (3) A copy of the permit must be placed within an envelope (paper, plastic) on the **outside** of the shipping container for easy access by U.S. Customs. Envelope should be labeled "USDA Soil Permit."
- (4) A copy of the Soil Permit must be also enclosed **inside** the box with the samples.

Other Notes: If shipped using Federal Express or similar commercial shipping company, items shipped should be identified as:

- "Soil Samples"
- Value is \$1.00 (Not listed as priceless)
- And noted that a USDA soil permit accompanies sample shipment by designating "Permit Enclosed"

U.S. customs **MAY** request information regarding a Toxic Substances Control Act Certification. This certification has two options:

- 1) I certify that the chemical substances in this shipment comply with all applicable rules or orders under the TSCA and that I am not offering a chemical for entry in violation of TSCA or any applicable rule or order there under.
- 2) 2) I certify that all the chemical substances in this shipment are not subject to TSCA.

Check response # 2: Soil samples do not contain chemical substances that are covered by the Toxic Substances Control Act.

Samples Shipped to DRI use the Following Address:

Dr. Eric McDonald
Desert Research Institute
Soil Characterization Lab
2215 Raggio Parkway
Reno, NV, 89512
775-673-7300 (Main number)

Additional Contact Information;
775-673-7430 (Soil Lab)
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