

AQIS Fact Sheet

Bitter sweets: treats can be a quarantine risk

Australia's environment is unique. The Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) helps keep it that way.

You can also help protect our unique environment and our important agriculture and tourism industries by disposing of, or declaring all food, plant and animal products on arrival in Australia.

Food, plant and animal products from overseas could introduce destructive pests and diseases not present in Australia, with devastating consequences.

Quarantine items that must be declared include:

- fresh food
- packaged food
- fruit
- eggs
- meat
- vegetables
- skins
- feathers
- wood
- plants and plant products
- animal products

Many special Indian sweets made from milk will not be allowed into Australia. Some of the restricted sweets include:

- Pedas



- Burfi



- Mohan Thal



- Rasgulla



- Gulab Jamun

- Mysore Pak

- Ras Malai

- Gujia

Like all food, Indian sweets must be declared on arrival.

AQIS provides special quarantine bins at international airports for travellers to dispose of quarantine items.

AQIS screens or x-rays all luggage and uses quarantine detector dogs to find high-risk products. Failure to declare food, plant and animal material could result in on-the-spot fines of over \$A200 or a prosecution with a fine in excess of \$A60,000 and imprisonment.

For more information see the '[What Can't I Take to Australia](#)' brochure.