

Guidelines for the Movement of Small Hive Beetle (SHB) Positive Honey Bee Colonies in Ontario



Repeat this process for any additional SHB-positive yards that require movement

You suspect that you have SHB in your operation, what do you do?

Report to the OMAFRA Apiary Program

SHB is confirmed by OMAFRA

Was your bee yard tested by OMAFRA in 2015 & proved positive for SHB?

YES

YES

NO

Are you planning to move colonies from the SHB positive yard?

YES

NO

Business as usual

Colonies remain at SHB-positive yard

Complete & submit to OMAFRA:

- Movement plan for SHB-positive yards
- Best management practices (BMPs) questionnaire

OMAFRA staff will contact you regarding your plan/BMPs & advise on next steps. Next steps may include:

- Revisions to movement plan
- Implementation of recommended BMPs
- Apiary inspection
- Colony movement

For more information:

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