Pest inspection checklist

Warehouse inspections are best conducted at the end of the afternoon, when temperatures are highest, and insects are most active.

Simple methods for finding insects:

Check the base and top of each stack

Check under the pallets for insects, spider webs, cocoons, traces of insects and rodents.

Signs: excrement, bite-marks

Check the corners: slightly raise the bags (careful not to upset the pile)

Use a sampling spear check for insects in the middle of stacks

Lift several bags from the top of the pile,

pull them onto their sides to examine the unexposed sides and look between the bags

Open and spread out the contents of some bags to check for the presence of insects

They will be more easily spotted if the bags are shaken before being opened