



“UNLESS WE TAKE STEPS  
NOW TO CURB CONTRABAND,  
WE RISK COMPROMISING  
AGRICULTURAL HEALTH  
AND FOOD SAFETY”



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UNMASKING  
CONTRABAND:  
KNOW THE RISK

## Know the Facts

By safeguarding the nation from plant pests and animal diseases, we ensure Belize fulfills its responsibilities under SPS agreements by promoting safe international trade and demonstrating our commitment to health and global standards.

## LET'S TRADE IN TRUST, NOT CONTRABAND



## QUARANTINE DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITY

We conduct vigilant monitoring, inspection, and verification at points of entry through surveillance of markets and supermarkets to prevent the unauthorized sale and distribution of illegally imported commodities that BAHA regulates.



Prohibited or restricted items can often unintentionally be pathways for pests or diseases that can affect plant, animal, or human health.



Consuming unregulated health products poses health risks and can impact consumers and local industries.



Engaging in contraband activities is linked to criminal networks and compromises community safety.



### Think Twice

Possession of any illegal plant/animal product, by-product, or similar BAHA-regulated commodity is an offense!



### Pay the Price

An offense may result in a fine of \$2,000 to \$10,000, imprisonment for up to two years, or both upon summary conviction.



### Statutory Instrument No. 34

BAHA Act Chapter 211 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020.