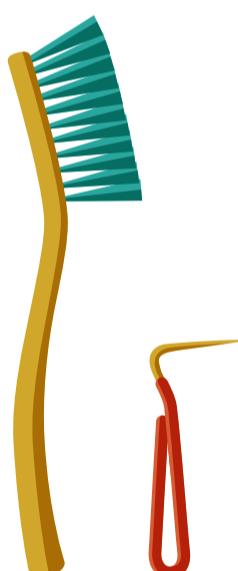




Being responsible won't break the bank

Get your basic biosecurity kit



Long handle brush
Hoof pick
Water container
Flexible bucket

Total: £20



Clean boots and tools with water and a brush to remove all soil and organic material. **This is the most effective action to reduce the spread of tree pests and diseases¹.**

If you choose to use disinfectant, apply it after cleaning. It only works on visibly clean surfaces.

If using disinfectant:

- Choose products suitable for your items, some may damage boot material or cause rusting of tools.

- Follow all safety instructions and store flammable products in appropriate containers.
- Use personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow local risk assessments.

The Forestry Commission does not recommend or endorse specific disinfectant brands. Use disinfectants safely. Always read the label and product information before use.

Disinfectants are a helpful extra step, but cleaning is far more important.

Find out more at: www.gov.uk/guidance/prevent-the-introduction-and-spread-of-tree-pests-and-diseases

¹ Liew, E.C.Y., Phelan, M. & McDougall, K.L. (2023). The efficacy of a range of hygiene measures for boot cleaning to protect natural vegetation from Phytophthora cinnamomi. *Scientific Reports*.



Think kit



Think transport



Think trees