



rain & Horticulture



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# Christmas & New Year Support



**The Grain & Horticulture EXDOC team wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.**

During the Christmas & New Year period, assistance for program specific EXDOC issues will be:

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| Friday, 22 Dec 2006    | Normal office hours  |
| Monday, 25 Dec 2006    | Public Holiday - office closed                             |
| Tuesday, 26 Dec 2006   | Public Holiday - office closed                             |
| Wednesday, 27 Dec 2006 | Public Servant gazetted Holiday - office closed            |
| Thursday, 28 Dec 2006  | Office manned - 8.30am - 4.00pm (ES Daylight Saving Hours) |
| Friday, 29 Dec 2006    | Office manned - 8.30am - 4.00pm (ES Daylight Saving Hours) |
| Monday, 1 Jan 2007     | Public Holiday - office closed                             |
| Tuesday, 2 Jan 2007    | Normal office hours  |



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# Staff Contacts

It is with pleasure that we introduce Diane Falla to our team, who has replaced Lincoln Rose.

For assistance with electronic certification for Grain & Horticulture exports, both Production and Test, or other EXDOC program related issues please contact us on:

|             |                                    |  |              |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--|--------------|
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EDI Users / Exporters are reminded that the hours of support / contact for the team will be **8.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday (EST)** and, where possible, all contact with the team is done in writing either by e-mail or facsimile and all correspondence to include Bev Beacham.

## General Country Enquiries

Exporters and EDI Users are reminded that for general enquiries relating to importing country requirements, they should first check the restrictions listed in the PHYTO database on the AQIS web at [www.qis.gov.au](http://www.qis.gov.au)

If unable to find the information you require, or you need clarification / assistance with the importing country requirements, please contact your local AQIS office first - contacting the EXDOC Grain / Horticulture team in these matters adds to our work load and reduces that time we can commit towards electronic certification.

## Export of Mangoes to Malaysia

Industry Advice Notice 2006/33 was issued in September of this year, advising exporters that Malaysia now require a Phytosanitary certificate to accompany this product when exported from Australia.

In late November an enhancement was made to EXDOC in which Exporters are now able to obtain their Phytosanitary certificate electronically.



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# Export of Prescribed Goods to Non-Phyto Countries

Industry Advice Notice 2006/45 was issued in November of this year, advising exporters that unless a requirement by the National Plant Protection Organization of the importing country, AQIS is unable to issue a Phytosanitary Certificate as a 'commercial' document or to fulfil other government agency needs. This relates particularly to Fresh fruit & vegetables to Thailand and Grain & Plant Products to Malaysia and Thailand.

However, if when exporting 'prescribed' goods, an RFP must be raised and the Export Permit issued by AQIS to meet Australian Export legislation.



If exporting prescribed grains, the consignment must be inspected in accordance with Australian Export legislation, namely the *Plant & Plant Product Orders 2005*, and the RFP authorised to enable the Export Permit to be issued.



If exporting fresh fruit & vegetables, other than those that do require a Phytosanitary certificate as detailed in the PHYTO database, an RFP was must raised and actioned by this office to enable the Export Permit to be issued.

## Export of Fresh Fruit & Vegetables to Thailand

Previously when exporting fresh fruit and vegetables to Thailand, in which part of the consignment requires a Phytosanitary Certificate, it was necessary to raise 2 RFPs - one for the products requiring a Phytosanitary certificate and one for the products not requiring a Phytosanitary certificate.

Now only one RFP needs to be raised with all products being exported and upon authorisation of the RFP, a Phytosanitary Certificate will be generated for only those products that require a Phytosanitary certificate.

## Use of Variety Names on Phytosanitary Certificates

Industry Advice Notice 2005/27 was issued in August 2005, advising exporters that unless a protocol agreement, the use of variety names on Phytosanitary certificates was not permitted.




EXDOC was updated accordingly to remove all products with a variety name from all country links except those countries with which Australia has a protocol agreement in place and only specific types of produce are permitted to be exported.



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Exporters are reminded that except for the following, only the generic name of a product is to be used in an RFP.

|   |             |           |                                  |  |
|---|-------------|-----------|----------------------------------|--|
|  | Japan       | Oranges   | All regions except the Riverland | Valencia and Washington Navel varieties            |
|  | Japan       | Mandarins | All regions except the Riverland | Imperial, Murcot, Ellendale & Mineola varieties    |
|  | Japan       | Mangoes   | All regions                      | Kent, Keitt, Palmer, R2E2 and Kensington varieties |
|  | Korea South | Oranges   | All regions                      | Navel and Valencia varieties                       |





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