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# 1 General Information

Users of this document are strongly advised to read all sections to understand the phytosanitary requirements for a commodity.

## 1.1 For enquires about this standard email the Plant Exports Team:

[plantexports@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:plantexports@mpi.govt.nz)

Please state the nature of your enquiry in the subject line e.g. American Samoa query or pest interception or password re-set.

For urgent enquiries phone or email Plant Exports

- Telephone: +64 4 894 5693

## 1.2 Scope

The requirements listed in this Importing Country's Phytosanitary Requirement (ICPR) apply to product of New Zealand only, unless specifically stated.

This ICPR specifies American Samoa's phytosanitary requirements for the stated commodities and commodity classes only. If a commodity or commodity group is not identified within Section 3 or Section 4 exporters should contact:

- American Samoa directly to ascertain requirements
- or
- Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)-Plant Exports

Users of this document are strongly advised to review all sections of the ICPR for the determination of a commodity's phytosanitary requirements.

## 1.3 Phytosanitary Legislation

The following legislation controls the importation of plants and plant materials into American Samoa:

- Quarantine Regulations Amendment Section 24.0306, 4 October 1984
- Quarantine Regulations Sections 24.0325-24.0332, 4 October 1984
- Quarantine Regulations Part V - Fees and Penalties - Sections 1-2, 4 October 1984
- Quarantine Regulations Section 13 – Plants
- Quarantine Regulations Part III: General Prohibition Sections 1-8, 4 October 1984

## **1.4 Fees and charges**

- Please note that the determination and provision of phytosanitary requirements, for a commodity not listed within the ICPR may be undertaken on a cost recovered basis. A link to the list of Plant Exports Fees and Charges is available on <http://mpi.govt.nz/exporting/food/fruit-and-vegetables/fees-and-charges/>

## **2 General Requirements**

### **2.1 Prohibitions**

No commodities from New Zealand are prohibited entry to American Samoa

### **2.2 Phytosanitary Import Permits**

2.2.1 Phytosanitary import permits state the phytosanitary requirements for importation

2.2.2 Phytosanitary import permits are required for the importation of the following commodity classes from New Zealand:

- Fresh, dried and Frozen Fruit and Vegetables
- Fresh and dried Cut Flowers and Foliage
- Nursery Stock
- All Seed, Grains and Nuts
- Growing Media and Packing Material

2.2.3 Phytosanitary import permits and conditions of import may be requested from:

Elisapeta Sualevai Toleafoa  
Plant and Animal Quarantine Service  
Department of Agriculture  
Government of American Samoa  
Telephone: (684) 699-9272  
Facsimile: (684) 699-4031  
Email: [elsualevai@yahoo.com](mailto:elsualevai@yahoo.com)

### **2.3 Phytosanitary Certificates**

Phytosanitary certificates are required to accompany consignments of the following commodity classes exported from New Zealand:

- Fresh, dried and Frozen Fruit and Vegetables
- Fresh and dried Cut Flowers and Foliage
- Nursery Stock
- All Seed, Grains and Nuts
- Growing Media and Packing Material

## **2.4 Quarantine Pests**

Not Specified. Refer Section 2.5

## **2.5 Inspection on Arrival**

All consignments of imported plant material are subject to inspection for phytosanitary purposes on arrival.

## **2.6 Sampling Rates**

Inspection rate is 85-90% of each consignment (depending on size).

## **2.7 Ports of Entry**

Plants and plant products exported from New Zealand are not restricted to enter American Samoa by any particular or specified ports.

## **2.8 Transit Requirements**

Unknown

## **2.9 Wood Packaging**

Refer to Forestry ICPR for American Samoa, link below:

<http://www.mpi.govt.nz/law-and-policy/requirements/importing-countries-phytosanitary-requirements/forestry-icprs/american-samoa/>

# **3 Commodity Class Requirements**

## **3.1 Fruit and Vegetables**

### **3.1.1 Fresh Fruit and Vegetables**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.1.2 Dried Fruit and Vegetables**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.1.3 Frozen Fruit and Vegetables**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

## **3.2 Cut Flowers and Foliage**

### **3.2.1 Fresh Cut Flowers and Foliage**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.2.2 Dried Cut Flowers and Foliage**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

## **3.3 Nursery Stock**

### **3.3.1 Whole Plants**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.3.2 Budwood and Cuttings**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.3.3 Bulbs, corms, rhizomes and tubers (for propagation)**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

## **3.4 Seeds and Grain**

### **3.4.1 Seed and Grain for Sowing**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.4.2 Seed and Grain for Consumption**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

### **3.4.3 Seed and Grain for Processing**

Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.



### **3.5 Growing Media and Packing Material**

#### Conditions:

Phytosanitary import permit required. Phytosanitary certificate required.

## **4 Commodity Specific Requirements**

Refer Section 3 for Commodity Class Requirements

