



# Submission on the Melon fruit from Japan: biosecurity import requirements draft report

## Section A: General information

**Purpose of this form** For individuals and organisations to respond to the *Melon fruit from Japan: biosecurity import requirements draft report*.

Use this form to respond to key topics in the draft report or to write a long-form response. You can also attach a separate response.

Do not use this form if you want to [make a submission online](#).

**Before applying** See the draft report for [Melons from Japan](#).

**Closing date** 16 December 2024

**To complete this form** Save the document to your computer.

**Your submission must include**

- ☐ a completed and signed submission form
- ☐ where relevant, supporting information from organisations, written on their official letterhead.

**Post or email (preferred) your submission**

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## Section B: Applicant

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### Section C: Confidentiality

**3 Is all of your submission confidential?**

No ☒

Yes ☐ Clearly mark the submission 'In confidence'

**4 Is part of your submission confidential?**

No ☒

Yes ☐ Clearly mark the relevant section(s) 'In confidence'

### Section D: Publication of submissions on our website

Unless you request otherwise, we will publish your name, organisation and the title of your submission on our website. Your contact information will not be made available.

**5 Do you agree to your submission being made publicly available?**

No ☐ Go to question 8

Yes ☒ Go to question 7

**6 Do you agree to your name and state/territory being listed?**

No ☐

Yes ☐

**7 Do you agree to us contacting you about your submission if required?**

No ☐

Yes ☒

### Section E: Submission type

**8 What type of submission are you making? (select one box only)**

☒ Response to key topics in the draft report → Go to section F

☐ Long-form response to the whole draft report → Go to section G

☐ Separate response in an attached document → Go to section H

### Section F: Response to key topics in the draft report

Support your answers with reference to independent sources such as scientific journals, CSIRO or university publications.

**9 Comment on pest risk assessments for quarantine pests.**

Not applicable

**10 Comment on risk management measures proposed in chapter 5 of the draft risk analysis.**

**List independent sources to support your response.**

Not applicable

**11 Provide details of any other pests that should be included in this risk analysis. Include scientific references to support your response.**

Not applicable

**12 Other comments. This could include additional information or relevant issues to be raised.**

Tasmania seeks clarification regarding missing pest categorisation reviews of the following pests:

1. *Tetranychus evansi*
2. *Tetranychus marianae*
3. *Frankliniella schultzei*
4. *Thrips tabaci*
5. *Colletotrichum capsici* syn. *C. capricci*
6. *Pseudomonas savastanoi* pv. *phaseolicola*
7. *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *psi*

In addition, Tasmania also wishes to inform DAFF that the following pest is currently listed as [Prohibited Matter](#) under the *Biosecurity Act 2019*. Acknowledgement of such in any part of your document will be appreciated.

1. *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *cucurbitae* (Bryan 1926)

The following are currently listed as [Declared Pests and Diseases](#) under the *Biosecurity Act 2019*. Acknowledgement of such in any part of your document will be appreciated.

1. *Thrips palmi*
2. *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Smith, 1797)

→ Go to section H

## Section G: Long-form response to the draft report

**13 Support your response with reference to independent sources such as scientific journals, CSIRO or university publications. Attach additional sheets if necessary.**

Not applicable

## Section H: Applicant declaration

To be completed by the person listed in section B of this application.

I understand that:

- the Australian Government reserves the right to refuse to publish submissions, or parts of submissions, that contain offensive language, potentially defamatory material or copyright infringing material
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- if I provide personal information about an individual other than myself, I must make that person aware of the privacy notice in [section I](#) of this form and draw their attention to our privacy policy.

Signature (type or sign your name) Susanna Driessen

Date (dd/mm/yyyy) 2/12/2024

Full name Susanna Driessen

### Section I: Privacy notice

‘Personal information’ means information or an opinion about an identified individual, or an individual who is reasonably identifiable.

The collection of personal information by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry in relation to this submission is for the purposes of gathering information on the risk analysis and related purposes. If you do not provide this information, we will be unable to contact you to discuss your submission.

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