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Plant Export Operations – Macadamia Nut Exports to India

The Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) has received notification that India now accept heat treatment of macadamia nuts for consumption for export, as an alternative to methyl bromide fumigation.

Revised conditions were published in the Draft Notification on the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2011. This may be viewed online at the department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India website (<http://agricoop.nic.in/gazette.htm>).

The following treatments have been agreed to and are now available to use for exports of macadamia nuts to India:

1. Fumigation with methyl bromide at 32 grams per cubic metre for 24 hours at 21°C and above or equivalent

Or

2. Heat treatment at 60°C for 24 hours or any other treatment duly approved by the Plant Protection Adviser to the Government of India.

Consignments must be free from soil and quarantine weed seeds.

Treatments should be endorsed on the phytosanitary certificate.

For any further details please contact your regional AQIS office.

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