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## **BIOSECURITY ADVICE 2015/09**

### **Draft report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for table grapes from India**

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Draft report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for table grapes from India*.

The draft report identifies pests that require phytosanitary measures to manage the risk to a very low level in order to achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection.

This draft report is being issued for 30 days consultation. Written comments and submissions are invited by 21 August 2015.

Biosecurity Advice 2010/37, of 26 November 2010, announced the formal commencement of a non-regulated analysis of existing policy to consider a proposal to import fresh table grapes from India.

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Draft report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for table grapes from India*. Stakeholders have until 21 August 2015 to provide written comments on the draft report.

The draft report identifies 15 pests associated with fresh table grapes from India that require phytosanitary measures. Out of these 15 pests, 12 are arthropods and three are fungal pathogens.

A regional difference was identified for one quarantine pest for Western Australia. The proposed quarantine measures take account of this regional difference.

The draft report proposes a range of risk management measures, combined with a system of operational procedures to ensure quarantine standards are met. These measures are considered to reduce the risk posed by the 15 pests and achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection.

These proposed measures are consistent with Australia's existing policy and include:

- visual inspection and remedial action for the spider mite, leaf rolling moth, mealybugs and thrips
- area freedom or fruit treatment (cold disinfestation or irradiation) for fruit flies
- area freedom or fruit treatment (irradiation, methyl bromide fumigation or combined sulphur dioxide/carbon dioxide fumigation followed by cold disinfestation) or a systems approach approved by the Australian Government Department of Agriculture for spotted wing drosophila
- area freedom or fruit treatment (sulphur pads or combined sulphur dioxide/carbon dioxide fumigation) for grapevine phylloxera

- area freedom or a systems approach approved by the Australian Government Department of Agriculture for black rot, brown rot and grapevine leaf rust
- a supporting operational system to maintain and verify the phytosanitary status of export consignments.

The draft report and information about the risk analysis process are available from the [department's website](#). Printed copies of the report are available, if required.

Comments on the draft report must be submitted by 21 August 2015.

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