Dear Citrus Growers and Packhouse Managers

The eCert Team have been working with DALRRD: Plant Health on phytosanitary registrations for the 2020/2021 export season, and there are a number of key changes for this next year and important details to note. These details can be summarized as:

* **Opening date**: Monday, 19 October 2020
* **Closing date**: Friday, 20 November 2020
* **Cost per market**: R115 per market
* **Declarations**:
  + Declarations have been modified to align with the Citrus False Codling Moth Risk Management System
  + Unless stakeholders agree to all declarations under the Good Agricultural Practice (GAP) and practices under Citrus FMS and Citrus FFMS then they will not be able to proceed with completing their registration.
* **Couriering and uploading of signed registration documents**: Growers and packhouse managers will need to print, sign, and scan hardcopies on hand, upload onto PhytClean and courier the signed hardcopies door to door.

Supporting documents include:

* proof of payments
* a motivation for South Korea exports, which will apply for new PUCs
* BD records
* **BD Records:** Previously only PDF copies of the BD trap records could be uploaded. An excel file, containing the records, with a limit of 2MB can now be uploaded as well.
* **Registration of all orchards:** Please also note that the CGA has requested that all orchards – even those not yet in production – are added to the orchards list. This will help with strategic planning on issues such as current and future port congestion. These new orchards will not need to be linked to any market as they will not be bearing fruit in 2020/2021.
* **Own verification of data on PhytClean**: There will be an opportunity before the registration window closes to confirm the data on PhytClean matches the markets that the users intended for registration. These excel spreadsheets will be available where such checks can be done. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
* **Cold Stores, Exporters, Freight Forwarders:** Cold Stores, Exporters and Freight Forwarderswill be able to register later – details will be communicated on this in due course.
* **Dry Storage Facilities**: Dry Storage Facilities will now be able to register on the system as well. Details on when the registration starts will be communicated shortly.
* **Addition of new market – Vietnam:** Vietnam has been added as a new market. Only Oranges (Midseason, Navel, Valencia) can be exported to this market.
* **Support/Queries:**

For support contact:

**The FSA Team:**

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Please use the Support Platform for any queries you might have regarding the registration process.

[https://support.ecert.co.za](https://support.ecert.co.za/)

Registration user guides will be released on Monday, 19th October 2020 when registration opens and will be available on the Help section on the PhytClean platform.

Kind regards

The eCert Team