

Compliance-Based Intervention Scheme (CBIS)

Don't get stuck in Australia - The Department of Agriculture runs the Compliance-Based Intervention Scheme (CBIS). The scheme rewards Australian importers of eligible produce – such as summerfruit, avocados and capsicum from New Zealand, who demonstrate consistent compliance with Australia's biosecurity requirements with risk-based inspection rates.

In order to increase the chances of a successful inspection under CBIS, Summerfruit NZ recommends the following measures:

PRE-BORDER			
Growers & Packhouses			
	Treatment	Inspection	Communicate
GROWERS	Use recommended best practice spray programme for Australia's quarantine pests		
PACKHOUSES	Use Vapormate™ pre-packing for thrips and mites Any Vapormate™ questions contact BOC directly	Consider using a microscope for phytosanitary inspections (Australia does)	Talk to all people involved along pathway. Ensure your exporter/importer knows that you want pest identification and not treatment.
		Consider inspecting more than a 600-fruit sample	
		This may mean rejecting more fruit from export, but it is better to find this out in NZ.	
		If weed seeds are detected in Australia – they are hard to identify and Australia can't fumigate. Keep a lookout for thistle seed! A number of these were detected in 2017/18 season.	
		Wheat bug (<i>Nysius huttoni</i>) is a major pest of concern for Australia. Any detections could result in trade issues for all Summerfruit – not just individual exporters.	
Egg detections in Australia – hard to tell if live / dead, B3 doing work on tests			

Arrival in Australia

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- CBIS is a reduced inspection frequency for compliant *importers* (not exporters).
- After five consignments are inspected with no compliance issues inspection rates are reduced to 50% (e.g. every second consignment not inspected).
- Consignments must be entered in line mode (not container mode)

At the border: limiting delays			
	Communicate	Plan	Persevere
EXPORTERS	Insist on pest identification and stick to the identification plan	Identification takes time. It can take 3 days to get full ID	Australia's Department of Agriculture are committed to providing identification services
	Some importers "opt to fumigate"	Consignments arriving late in the week can be held up if pests found	If there are identification issues involve MPI and Summerfruit NZ (include phytosanitary number and ID paperwork)
	Held consignments cause delay and bottlenecks in inspection rooms – there will be a push to fumigate and get them out	Pest identification does not happen over the weekend	Keep a track of issues so we can put measures in place next season.
	We have good information and data on pest categorisations and many common pests are known to be non-actionable. Reconditioning can occur for weed seeds.	Avoid clearing consignments on a Friday if possible	
	For example, Tydeid and Oribatid mites are considered non-actionable	If a consignment arrives on or close to Friday, consider keeping it sealed and contained over weekend.	