



## Industry Advice – Importing Mediterranean fruit fly host material from declared areas in South Australia

Recent outbreaks of Mediterranean fruit fly (*Ceratitis capitata*) in South Australia, including in Adelaide city area have led to restrictions being placed on the movement of fruit and vegetable host produce in South Australia.



Adult Mediterranean fruit fly are quite distinctive-looking.  
Image by Scott Bauer, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Bugwood.org

A suspension area has been established around outbreak sites within metropolitan Adelaide, including the South Australian Produce Markets at Pooraka. A map of the current outbreak and suspension areas can be found at;

[https://pir.sa.gov.au/biosecurity/fruit\\_fly\\_in\\_sa/current\\_outbreaks](https://pir.sa.gov.au/biosecurity/fruit_fly_in_sa/current_outbreaks)

Mediterranean fruit fly is considered a serious pest in South Australia, all eastern Australian states, Tasmania and the Northern Territory. As a result, the South Australian government has implemented a program to eradicate the pest and restore area freedom.

The entry requirements for moving host produce into New South Wales from the South Australian suspension area are in force and are set out in the Biosecurity Order (Permitted Activities) 2019 <https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/regulation/2019/605/full>. Consignments of Mediterranean fruit fly host produce entering New South Wales must be accompanied by an appropriate biosecurity certificate verifying that these requirements have been met.

Increased monitoring of host produce entering New South Wales from South Australia is being undertaken to ensure compliance with these requirements and to safeguard NSW industry.

These requirements will remain in place until Mediterranean fruit fly has been declared eradicated and area freedom has been restored.

If you require more information on the requirements for the entry of host produce into NSW please contact NSW DPI Biosecurity and Food Safety on 1800 084 881 or [biosecurity@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:biosecurity@dpi.nsw.gov.au)

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