



Plant Research Material Questionnaire

Section 1: Background Information

Complete this questionnaire as part of the import permit application process for plant research material defined below as In Scope.

TYPES OF PLANT RESEARCH MATERIAL	
In Scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Seeds, plants, fresh and dried plant material and infected plant samples- Diagnostic Kits containing positive controls of plant pathogens- Root nodulating bacteria (Rhizobia)- Plant pathogens including bacteria, fungi, viruses and viroids- Biological Control Agents (BCAs): invertebrates or microorganisms used to control weeds, plant pathogens or invertebrate plant pests- <i>Drosophila</i>
Out of Scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chemical pesticides, antibiotics or fermentation products- Organisms used to control live vertebrates (e.g. rabbits)- Invertebrate animal pests other than <i>Drosophila</i> (e.g. mosquitoes, bees)- Animal pathogens

The information provided in this questionnaire will be used by the department to determine the biosecurity risks associated with the material you intend to import and how you intend to use it. This will assist the department in developing appropriate import permit conditions and issue an import permit (if possible).

Before completing this questionnaire, check the [Biosecurity Import Conditions database \(BICON\)](#) to confirm that the material you wish to import requires an import permit.

Depending on the material you wish to import, you may find the appropriate conditions in BICON under the following cases:

- Plant material for research purposes
- Plant pathogens for research and diagnostic purposes
- Plant DNA or RNA
- Herbarium specimens
- Highly refined organic chemicals and substances

DEFINITIONS	
In vitro	Any research undertaken in a laboratory (and in some cases a glasshouse) where material is analysed and may be grown but is not exposed to live plants or animals or micro-organisms
In vivo	Any research where material is exposed to plants, animals or micro-organisms



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Section 2: Questions

Please answer all questions accurately. Your responses to this questionnaire will be used to determine permit conditions, including destruction timeframes and release options.

PERMIT INFORMATION			
Import Permit Application Number (if known)			
	YES	NO	IF YES, PERMIT NUMBER
Have you previously been granted an import permit by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (formerly the Department of Agriculture/DAFF/AQIS) for this material?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



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COMMODITY INFORMATION		DETAILS		
Provide a detailed description of the material you wish to import				
What quantity of material is being imported? e.g. 500g, 5 kg, 50 vials				
How will the material be packaged?				
		YES	NO	IF YES, GIVE DETAILS
Is the material a plant pathogen or pest?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pathogen/pest name:
Is the material knowingly or suspected to be infected with a plant pathogen?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pathogen name:
Does the material contain anything of animal origin?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Type of animal material:
Has the material been prepared or preserved in any way? e.g. ground, frozen, extracted, dried (include temp and duration)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Description of preservation:
Is the material genetically modified in a way regulated by OGTR?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	OGTR dealing number e.g. NLRD, DIR: OR IBC dealing (also provide a letter of approval):



RESEARCH INFORMATION			
Provide a brief summary of the research, including end-use e.g. destructive analysis, in vitro, in vivo host specificity testing, types of plants used, location.			
	YES	NO	IF YES, GIVE DETAILS
Will the material be grown? e.g. seedlings, flowering, seed production	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Growth stage:
Do you want to release any material? e.g. harvested seed, material for field trials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Intended release product:
Will the material be treated or preserved during analysis? e.g. DNA extraction, milled to flour, desiccated in silica gel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treatment/Preservation method:

APPROVED ARRANGEMENT SITES			
	YES	NO	IF YES, GIVE DETAILS
Do you have access to an Approved Arrangement site (formerly known as a Quarantine Approved Premises (QAP)) to conduct the research? Include details of co-located Approved Arrangement sites you intend to use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Approved Arrangement site class and approval number(s): Area used: e.g. glasshouse, growth cabinet
Do you intend to transfer the material to any other (non co-located) Approved Arrangement site?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Approved Arrangement approval number:
Do you have permission to use the Approved Arrangement site(s) listed above?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A



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Section 3: Importer’s Declaration

I declare the information provided in this questionnaire is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge

Name		Date	
Position		Company or Institute	

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