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Fruit fly hotline: 1300 666 010

Travelling from Within South Australia to the South Australian Riverland Region

(Riverland Pest Free Area)

Within South Australia, travellers and Riverland residents alike are reminded that it is illegal to carry fresh fruit and vegetables which are a potential fruit fly host, into the Riverland region without proper documentation or certification.

In South Australia there are permanent quarantine stations and random roadblocks that operate across the state. Motorists travelling to the Riverland from within the state may be stopped at a random quarantine roadblock with vehicles checked for fruit and vegetables.

Prominent road signs warn travellers approaching the Riverland Pest Free Area advising that roadside quarantine bins are available and clearly signposted for the disposal of prohibited produce.

Frequently Asked Questions for Riverland residents and travellers visiting the area.

What conditions apply when carrying fruit and vegetables into the Riverland?

Fresh unprocessed fruit and fruiting vegetables purchased from commercial retailers within South Australia will be permitted into the Riverland if accompanied by:

- An itemised receipt of purchase or
- A Plant Health Certificate

Note: Cooked, processed, preserved, stewed, dried, frozen or canned fruit and fruiting vegetables are permitted without restriction.

What is not permitted into the Riverland?

The following produce **is not permitted** into the Riverland, and will be confiscated if found at a random quarantine roadblock:

- Home-grown fresh unprocessed (raw) fruit and fruiting vegetables
- Purchased fresh unprocessed (raw) fruit and fruiting vegetables without the appropriate accompanying receipt of purchase, or Plant Health Certificate

What is potential fruit fly host produce?

The female fruit fly lays eggs in all cultivated fruits and some vegetables such as:

- **Citrus** – orange, mandarin, lime, grapefruit, lemon, cumquat
- **Pome** – apple, pear, quince, crab-apple
- **Stone** – peach, plum, apricot, nectarine, cherry
- **Tropical and temperate** – avocado, banana, berry fruit, feijoa, fig, guava, grape, passionfruit, loquat, mango, pawpaw, persimmon, olive
- **Fruiting vegetables** – capsicum, chilli, eggplant, tomato, tamarillo

The message for travellers and Riverland residents is simple – Eat it! Bin It! or Declare It!

- Don't carry fresh, unprocessed fruit and fruiting vegetables into the Riverland Region unless accompanied by an itemised receipt or purchase of a Plant Health Certificate
- Take notice of the prominent road signs and eat or dispose of prohibited produce before entering the zone if the entry requirements cannot be met.

For more information contact:

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