

Register of MAFBNZ approved suppliers of pest identification services

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This register identifies MAFBNZ approved suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for pests and diseases associated with imported and export goods:

- Imports - [Suppliers of identification services for interceptions at the border](#)
- Imports - [Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for material in quarantine](#)
- Plant Exports - [Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for plant and plant product exports](#)
- Animal Exports - [Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for animal and animal product exports](#)

To report suspected exotic pests or diseases on plants in New Zealand, or recently imported goods, call the MAF Biosecurity New Zealand hotline on 0800 80 99 66.

Any changes to details included within this register should be directed to plantimports@maf.govt.nz.

Table 1. Suppliers of identification services for interceptions at the border

Key:

Invertebrates – includes molluscs, insects, spiders, nematodes, and mites, ticks and fleas (all animal mites, ticks, and fleas must be referred to MAF PHEL Tamaki)

Micro-organisms – includes bacteria, fungi, viruses, viroids, and phytoplasmas

Supplier	MAFBNZ Facility Code	Contact	Address	Scope of approval for diagnosis and/or identification
AsureQuality National Seed Laboratory PALMERSTON NORTH	901	Barbara Campbell CampbellB@asurequality.com Tel: 06 351 7940 Fax: 06 351 7907	Tennent Drive PO Box 609 Palmerston North	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of contaminant seed • Seed purity and germination testing
AsureQuality Pest and Disease Laboratory AUCKLAND	952	John Keall KeallJ@asurequality.com Tel: 09 626 8260 Fax: 09 626 8270	131 Boundary Road Blockhouse Bay Auckland 0600 Weekend identification service for invertebrate border specimens.	Identification of interceptions on fresh produce, cut flowers, dried plant material, foodstuffs, nursery stock, seed, vehicles, and general cargo: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates
New Zealand Seedlab CHRISTCHURCH	2578	Decima McCloy or Mary Anne McErlane info@nzseedlab.co.nz Tel: 03 342 8860 Fax: 03 342 8820	60 Ryans Rd PO Box 16101 Harwood, Christchurch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of contaminant seed • Seed purity and germination testing
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Plant Health and Environment Laboratory TAMAKI	4209	Invertebrates: Lalith Kumarasinghe Lalith.Kumarasinghe@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5713 Mobile: 029 909 5713 Fungi, bacteria, nematodes: Brett Alexander Brett.Alexander@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5724 Mobile: 029 909 5724 Viruses, viroids, phytoplasmas:	231 Morrin Road St. Johns PO Box 2095 Auckland 1140	Identification of interceptions on all commodities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates (including all external animal parasites, e.g. mites, ticks and fleas) • Micro-organisms Send all invertebrate border specimens intercepted from Northland down to Tauranga to Tamaki (Auckland) lab. All invertebrate samples from below Tauranga (excluding animal parasites) must be sent to MAFBNZ IDC PHEL Christchurch. Weekend identification service for invertebrate border specimens.

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		Lisa Ward Lisa.Ward@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5716		
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Plant Health and Environment Laboratory CHRISTCHURCH	3473	Lalith Kumarasinghe Lalith.Kumarasinghe@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5713 Mobile: 029 909 5713	14 Sir William Pickering Drive Burnside PO Box 14018 Christchurch	Identification of interceptions on all commodities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates Weekend identification service for invertebrate border specimens. Send all external animal parasites (e.g. mites, ticks, and fleas) to MAF PHEL Tamaki.
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Animal Health Laboratory WALLACEVILLE	396	Richard Clough Richard.Clough@maf.govt.nz Tel: 04 894 5619 Mobile: 029 894 5619	66 Ward Street Wallaceville Upper Hutt	Identification of interceptions on all commodities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snakes • Amphibians • Reptiles Send all external animal parasites (e.g. mites, ticks, and fleas) to MAF PHEL Tamaki

Table 2. Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for material in quarantine

Key:
 Invertebrates – includes molluscs, insects, spiders, nematodes, and mites (**all animal mites, ticks, and fleas must be referred to MAF PHEL Tamaki**)
 Micro-organisms – includes bacteria, fungi, viruses, viroids, and phytoplasmas

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MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Plant Health and Environment Laboratory TAMAKI	4209	<p>Invertebrates: Lalith Kumarasinghe Lalith.Kumarasinghe@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5713 Mobile: 029 909 5713</p> <p>Fungi, bacteria, nematodes: Brett Alexander Brett.Alexander@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5724 Mobile: 029 909 5724</p> <p>Viruses, viroids, phytoplasmas: Gerard Clover Gerard.Clover@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5709 Mobile: 029 909 5709</p>	231 Morrin Road St. Johns PO Box 2095 Auckland 1140	Identification of plant pests and diseases (including pre-determined testing) of nursery stock and germinated seed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates (including all external animal parasites, e.g. ticks, mites, and fleas) • Micro-organisms
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Plant Health and Environment Laboratory CHRISTCHURCH	3473	Lalith Kumarasinghe Lalith.Kumarasinghe@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5713 Mobile: 029 909 5713	14 Sir William Pickering Drive Burnside PO Box 14018 Christchurch	Identification of plant pests of nursery stock and germinated seed for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Animal Health Laboratory WALLACEVILLE	396	Richard Clough Richard.Clough@maf.govt.nz Tel: 04 894 5619 Mobile: 029 894 5619	66 Ward Street Wallaceville Upper Hutt	Identification of interceptions on all commodities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snakes • Amphibians • Reptiles <p>Send all external animal parasites (e.g. mites, ticks, and fleas) to MAF PHEL Tamaki</p>
Plant & Food Research PNDL PALMERSTON NORTH	5322	Paul Austin Plant.Health@plantandfood.co.nz Tel: 06 953 7668	Palmerston North Research Centre Private Bag 11 030 Palmerston North 4442	Pre-determined testing of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Vitis</i> (grape) nursery stock by transmission electron microscopy (TEM), herbaceous indexing, and woody indexing • <i>Actinidia</i> (kiwifruit) nursery stock and seed by herbaceous indexing and RT-PCR for <i>Apple stem grooving virus</i>

Table 3. Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for plant and plant product exports

Key:

Invertebrates – includes molluscs, insects, spiders, nematodes, and mites

Micro-organisms – includes bacteria, fungi, viruses, viroids, and phytoplasmas

Supplier	Contract of Approval Number	Contact	Address	Scope of approval for diagnosis and/or identification
AsureQuality National Seed Laboratory PALMERSTON NORTH	EO-PIR-2006-1110	Barbara Campbell CampbellB@asurequality.com Tel: 06 351 7940 Fax: 06 351 7907	Tennent Drive PO Box 609 Palmerston North	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of contaminant seed • Seed purity and germination testing
AsureQuality Pest and Disease Laboratory AUCKLAND	SO-PIR-2006-1106	John Keall KeallJ@asurequality.com Tel: 09 626 8260 Fax: 09 626 8270	131 Boundary Road Blockhouse Bay Auckland 0600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates – entomology and nematology
AsureQuality Pest and Disease Laboratory LINCOLN	SO-PIR-2006-1111	Rouke Bakker BakkerR@asurequality.com Tel: 03 358 1720	South Drive, Lincoln University PO Box 6, Lincoln University Lincoln 7647	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates – nematode identification on seeds only • Micro-organisms – plant and seed pathology; virology (ELISA testing for viruses using commercial kits)
New Zealand Seedlab CHRISTCHURCH	SO-PIR-2006-1112	Decima McCloy or Mary Anne McErlane info@nzseedlab.co.nz Tel: 03 342 8860 Fax: 03 342 8820	60 Ryans Rd PO Box 16101 Harwood, Christchurch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of contaminant seed (provisional) • Seed purity and germination testing (provisional)
MAFBNZ Investigation & Diagnostic Centre Plant Health and Environment Laboratory TAMAKI	155-04-03 ISO 17025	Invertebrates: Lalith Kumarasinghe Lalith.Kumarasinghe@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5713 Mobile: 029 909 5713 Fungi, bacteria, nematodes: Brett Alexander Brett.Alexander@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5724 Mobile: 029 909 5724 Viruses, viroids, phytoplasmas: Gerard Clover Gerard.Clover@maf.govt.nz Tel: 09 909 5709 Mobile: 029 909 5709	231 Morrin Road St. Johns PO Box 2095 Auckland 1140	<p>Identification of interceptions on all commodities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates – entomology • Micro-organisms – plant and seed pathology; virology <p>Supplier of last resort – this service is provided only where no other approved supplier is available</p>
Plant & Food Research LINCOLN	SO-PIR-2006-1105	Dr Ian Scott scotti@crop.cri.nz Tel: 03 325 6400	Private Bag 4704 Christchurch Mail Centre Christchurch 8140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invertebrates – nematology • Micro-organisms – PCR testing for '<i>Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum</i>' only
Seed Tech Services	SO-PIR-2011-1439	Ruth G Morrison r.g.morrison@massey.ac.nz	Institute of Natural Resources, Massey University, Private Bag 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of contaminant seed • Seed purity and germination testing

Supplier	Contract of Approval Number	Contact	Address	Scope of approval for diagnosis and/or identification
		Tel: 06 350 5123	222, Palmerston North 4442	

Table 4. Suppliers of identification and diagnostic services for animal and animal product exports

Click here to view a list of [laboratories approved to undertake export testing](#) for animals and animal products.