

BIOSECURITY COST REGULATIONS SCENARIOS

Express Freight – Import Agent Perspective

Scenario:

An air can containing 200 items arrives in New Zealand. Of these 200 items, 50 items are identified by MAF as being of interest and are put on hold awaiting inspection. Following the initial inspection, one seed package belonging to one importer is identified as requiring further documentation check and/or Biosecurity directions, and is held at the transitional facility. The agent is advised to apply for a BACC for further clearance directions.

The table below compares charges under the current charging structure (the Biosecurity Costs Regulations 2006 and three Biosecurity levy orders) and under the two proposed options for the revised Biosecurity Costs Regulations and levies.

Current charging structure	Option 1	Option 2
1 x \$4 (Risk Screening Levy) \$4.00	1 x \$5.65 (Risk Screening Levy) \$5.65	1 x \$12.5 (Biosecurity System Entry Levy) \$12.50
4 hours x \$100 (Inspection of 50 items) 400.00	4 hours x \$118 (Inspection of 50 items) \$472.00	4 hours x \$100 (Inspection of 50 items) \$400.00
1 x 15 min (Inspection Admin Fee) \$25.00	1 x 15 min (Inspection Admin Fee) \$29.50	1 x Biosecurity System Entry Levy (Seed entry) \$12.50*
0.5 hours x \$100 (Seed Inspection) \$59.00*	0.5 hours x \$118 (Seed Inspection) \$59.00*	0.5 hours x \$100 (Seed Inspection) \$50.00*
1 x \$45 (Zone 1 Charge) \$45.00	1 x \$87 (Zone 1 Charge) \$87.00	1 x \$72 (Zone 1 Charge) \$72.00
Total \$524.00	Total \$653.15	Total \$547.00

* **Note** – These fees will be specifically charged to the importer of the seeds. The rest of the charges will be then split by the agent among the importers whose goods have been inspected.

Express Freight – Importer Perspective

Scenario:

An air can containing boxes arrives in New Zealand. Within the air can, there are consignments that belong to 12 different importers. All goods have been manifested correctly and therefore do not require MAF intervention.

The final cost for an importer depends on the number of different importers' goods contained in each air can, i.e. for 12 different importers the cost will be $\$5.65 : 12 = \0.47 under Option 1 and $\$12.50 : 12 = \1.04 under Option 2.

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1 x \$4 (Risk Screening Levy) \$4.00	1 x \$5.65 (Risk Screening Levy) \$5.65	1 x \$12.5 (Biosecurity System Entry Levy) \$12.50
Total for Importer \$0.33	Total for Importer \$0.47	Total for Importer \$1.04

