



QUESTIONNAIRE TO ACCOMPANY AN APPLICATION TO IMPORT COCOPEAT PRODUCTS

Import Health Standard MPL.STD.FERTGRO

Please attach any relevant information to your completed questionnaire. All information supplied to the Ministry for Primary Industries will be handled confidentially.

PRODUCT INFORMATION
1. What is the brand or trade name of the products?
2. What is the method of storing husk pieces intended for copra factories?
3. What is the method of transport for husk pieces going to copra factories (e.g. in clean bags)?
4. How frequently are coconut husk pieces delivered from supplying copra factories to your processing factories or your fibre mill suppliers?
5. Do you have a factory that processes husk pieces into the finished article which is specifically used for growing media products?

<p>6. Do you buy coco peat from the wholesale market, including material used in these products? If so, is it handled in the same processing premises as materials destined for New Zealand?</p>
<p>7. How many suppliers of dried coco peat feed into your production process?</p>
<p>8. Please describe the area where the coconut husks are delivered on your premises or on the premises of each of your suppliers of dried coco peat.</p>
<p>9. Is there a plant-free buffer zone where husks are delivered and where the coco peat is dried for each supplier or premises? If so, please provide details, including how frequently these zones are monitored.</p>
<p>10. Is there any rinsing with water of plant material in the production process? If so, what is the source of water used (e.g. bore water, nearby stream)?</p>
<p>11. Are any of the production or processing sites susceptible to flooding?</p>
<p>12. What are the measures taken to keep all storage areas free of contamination (including arthropods and rodents)?</p>

13. At what points in the production system are samples taken to check for contamination?

14. How frequently do you take samples and undertake grow-out tests for seed contamination? Please give details of the methods undertaken for the grow out tests (e.g. sample size, length of grow out period).

15. Do you maintain records of grow-out tests? If so, are they readily accessible?

16. Will the products receive heat treatment or ethylene oxide fumigation before export? If so, please give full details of the intended treatment.

17. Are there any live organisms added to any of the products? If so, please provide the scientific names of these organisms (genus and species).

18. What is the method of storage for dried coco peat before it is compressed and packaged?

19. Do you have any quality management system audited by a third party (e.g. RHP, ISO accreditation)? If so, please provide details about this quality system.

20. Do you source any of your products from another company? If so, please state which products and the name of the company who produces them.

21. Do you export the products produced from your premises to countries other than New Zealand? If so, please state which countries.