



Getting a product added to MPI's Approved Processed Commodities List

Approved processed commodities are fresh fruit/vegetable products that have been partially processed (peeled, shredded or diced).

MPI approves specific processors and the brand names of the products they process. To be approved and added to MPI's "Approved Processed Commodities List", send the following information to plantimports@mpi.govt.nz.

1. The scientific name and common name of the product
2. Confirmation that the product was sourced from commercial growers, for example, the grower's GLOBALG.A.P certification or number of registration with the national plant protection organisation (NPPO)
3. Any certifications the processor currently holds, for example, ISO 22000, BRCS or NPPO registration. Also include any countries the product is currently exported to
4. The processor's standard operating procedures (SOPs) from harvest to export.
 - a. Make sure the SOPs include explanations and images of:
 - i. any quality control steps from harvest to export that prevent insect-infested or diseased produce from being processed or exported
 - ii. how the product is processed
 - iii. how pest infestation or infection is prevented after the product has been processed.
5. Images and a description of the final product, including how the product is packaged
6. An image of the logo or brand on the label (this will be used by New Zealand border staff to identify approved commodities)
7. An explanation of how the product can be traced to the processor from the label

Email plantimports@mpi.govt.nz if you have any questions.

Once the product is approved it will be added to MPI's "[Approved Processed Commodities List](#)". MPI will send confirmation of when a product is approved.

Approved processed commodities do not need to follow the requirements in *Importation and Clearance of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables into New Zealand* (152.02). The products do not need a phytosanitary certificate. When the product arrives in New Zealand, border staff may use the labelling and accompanying documentation to verify that the product is approved and can be cleared.

Partially processed fruit/vegetables that are not on the "Approved Processed Commodities List" can only be imported if they meet the requirements of the relevant import health standard. For frozen, cooked, pureed, pickled and dried fruit/vegetables, see the import health standard [Stored Plant Products for Human Consumption](#).