

## NOTICE AND INVITATION TO ATTEND ANNUAL CITRUS COORDINATING MEETING FOR EXPORT OF CITRUS FRUITS TO SPECIAL MARKETS DURING 2018/19 EXPORT SEASON

## DATE: 24 OCTOBER 2018

## VENUE: GROBLERSDAL (LOSKOP DAM), LIMPOPO

TIME: 09:00 AM

Citrus fruit producers, exporters, role-players for export to the EU, China, Iran, Japan, Republic of Korea, Thailand and USA special markets are invited and encouraged to attend and participate in the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF)'s Annual Citrus Coordinating Meeting to be held on 24 October 2018 in Groblersdal. All the arrangements and requirements for the 2018/19 export season will be discussed and finalized based on the South Africa's Citrus fruit export programmes. Please note that a successful fruit export depends on compliance with the requirements of importing country, and compliance begins in the orchard. Please see the relevant Citrus export protocols on the following website link:

- <u>http://www.daff.gov.za</u>
- Branches: Agricultural Production, Health and Food Safety
- Plant Health
- Exporting from SA
- Special Export Protocols/Programs/Directives

Representatives from the DAFF Directorate: Plant Health, Inspection Services, Food Safety and Quality Assurance, Perishable Product Export Control Board and South African Citrus Industry as well as key role-players will troubleshoot the past export season with the aim of further streamlining export procedures and planning for the next Citrus export season (2018/2019). All new developments will also be on the agenda.

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