

NOTICE AND INVITATION TO ATTEND ANNUAL CITRUS COORDINATING MEETING FOR EXPORT OF CITRUS FRUITS TO SPECIAL MARKETS IN WHITE RIVER, NELSPRUIT FOR 2019/20 EXPORT SEASON

DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 2019

VENUE: WHITE RIVER, NELSPRUIT (Ingwenyama Conference & Sport Resort).

TIME: 09:00 AM

Citrus fruit producers, Packhouse and inspection point owners, exporters, and other role-players that export to the EU, China, Iran, Japan, Republic of Korea, Thailand, USA and Philippines special markets are invited and encouraged to attend and participate in the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD)'s **Annual Citrus Coordinating Meeting to be held on 13 November 2019** in White River, Nelspruit (Ingwenyama Conference & Resort). All the arrangements and requirements for the 2019/20 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:

- http://www.daff.gov.za
- Branches: Agricultural Production, Health and Food Safety
- Plant Health
- Exporting from SA
- Special Export Protocols/Programs/Directives
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Representatives from the DALRRD Directorate: Plant Health, Inspection Service; Perishable Product Export Control Board and South African Citrus Industry as well as other key role-players will troubleshoot the past export season (2018/2019) with the aim of further streamlining export procedures and planning for the next Citrus export season (2019/2020). All new developments will also be on the agenda.

NB. Annual Phytosanitary Registration (registration of PUC, Packhouse and Inspection points) opens on **09 October** and **Closes on the 15 November 2019**. Growers are encouraged to bring their phytosanitary registrations documents at the Annual Citrus Coordination **meeting (13 November 2019)** or to courier them door to door

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