

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**NO. R. 5471****25 October 2024****MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No. 47 OF 1996)****ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURES AND DETERMINATION
OF LEVIES ON TABLE GRAPES**

I, Jonh Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture acting under sections 13 and 15 of the Marketing of Agricultural Product Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

**MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE**

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context indicates otherwise-

“Exporter” means a person who exports table grapes for his own account, or acts as an agent on a commission basis or for a fee to export table grapes on behalf of table grape producers;

“SATI” means the South African Table Grape Industry NPC, a non-profit company incorporated in terms of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, whose members are producers who produce table grapes within the borders of South Africa;

“Table grapes” means fresh table grapes;

“Table grape producer” means a producer of table grapes; and

“Vines” means vines intended for the production of table grapes.

A person shall register either as a producer or as an exporter. A person who is a producer as well as an exporter must register as a producer and as an exporter.

Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act

2. The purpose of this statutory measure is to impose a levy on all inspected volumes of table grapes passed for export in terms of section 13 read with section 15 of the Act. The levy is needed by SATI to fund and facilitate market access, information and communication, research and development programmes, technology transfer, transformation and training, and administration in the interest of the table grapes industry.

These measures are necessary to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to the Table Grape industry is available to relevant role players in order for them to make informed decisions in the spheres as indicated.

The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice and will support the statutory measures relating to registration and the rendering of returns applicable to table grapes.

The measure will be implemented and administered by SATI.

Products to which statutory measure applies

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all volumes of table grapes, inspected and passed for export.

Area in which measures applies

4. This statutory measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa

Imposition of levy

5. A levy is hereby imposed to be paid on all volumes of table grapes inspected and passed for export.

Amount of levy

6. The levy shall be imposed on all volumes of table grapes inspected and passed for export (all classes) at the following rates:
 - 1 November 2024 to 31 October 2025 – 63.5 cents per 4.5 kg equivalent carton (14,10 cents per kg).
 - 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2026 – 66.4 cents per 4.5 kg equivalent carton (14,70 cents per kg).

- 1 November 2026 to 31 October 2027 – 69.7 cents per 4.5 kg equivalent carton (15.50 cents per kg).
- 1 November 2027 to 31 October 2028 – 73.2 cents per 4.5 kg equivalent carton (16.30 cents per kg).

Persons/Institutions by whom and to whom levy is payable

7. (1) The levy imposed under clause 5 shall be payable:

- (a) By table grape producers in respect of all table grapes inspected and passed for export;
- (b) By exporters of table grapes who export table grapes on behalf of table grape producers on a commission basis or for a fee.

(2) A levy imposed under clause five (5) shall be payable to SATI in accordance with clause eight (8).

Payment of the Levy

8. (1) Payment of the levy shall be made not later than sixty (60) days following the end of the month during which the inspection of a quantity of table grapes was done and the particular quantity was approved for export. Any payment not paid within this period will be charged interest at a rate of 1% per month.

(2) Payment shall be made by means of electronic transfer in favour of and into the bank account of SATI. Bank details are available from SATI on request.

Use of levy

9. The Minister approves that:

- a) at least 70% of the levy funds should be used for the core business functions of SATI, e.g. research;
- b) not more than 10% for administrative use; and
- c) at least 20% be allocated towards transformation.

Commencement and period of validity

10. This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and lapse after four (4) years.

MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No. 47 OF 1996)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE:
RECORDS AND RETURNS RELATING TO VINES; AS WELL AS
PRODUCTION & MARKET INFORMATION OF TABLE GRAPES**

I, John Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture acting under sections 13 and 18 of the Marketing of Agricultural Product Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

**MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE**

SCHEDULE

Definitions

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“Table grapes” means fresh table grapes;

“Table grape producer” means a producer of table grapes intended for fresh table grape exports; and

“Vines” means vines intended for the production of table grapes.

A person shall register as either a producer or an exporter. A person who is a producer as well as an exporter must register as a producer and as an exporter.

Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act.

2. The purpose and aims of the statutory measure are to compel the parties set out herein to keep records and render returns as may be specified to SATI. This is necessary to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to table grapes is available to relevant role players. Market information is deemed essential for all relevant role players in order to them to make informed decisions. By prescribing the keeping of records

with the rendering of returns on an individual basis, export market and production information for the table grape industry can be processed and disseminated.

The establishment of the measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing of table grapes. The viability of the table grape industry should thus be enhanced. The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice. Any information obtained will be dealt with in a confidential manner and no sensitive or potentially sensitive client-specific information will be made available to any party without the prior approval of the party whose rights are affected.

The measures will be implemented and administered by SATI.

Products to which statutory measure applies

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all volumes of table grapes, intended for export.

Area in which statutory measure applies

4. This measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

Records to be kept and returns to be rendered

5. (1) All table grape producers and exporters shall keep such records and render the returns as may be required by SATI relating to:
 - (a) vine surveys; and
 - (b) the volume of table grapes produced; and
 - (c) the volume of table grapes intended for export.
- (2) No records or returns which contain confidential information shall be required in terms of this measure to be disclosed, and in particular, no returns disclosing, inter alia, of contracting parties, purchasers of fruit; prices of services or prices obtained for fruit, or any similar information shall be required to be furnished.

- (3) The National Department of Agriculture or its assignee shall render a copy of all export certificates or furnish the information required by SATI contained in such certificates within the periods specified in sub-clause five (5).
- (4) The records referred to in sub-clause (1) shall –
- (a) be recorded on a computer or with ink in a book;
 - (b) be kept at the registered premises of the person required to keep it for a period of at least three (3) years.
- (5) The returns referred to in sub-clause (1) shall be rendered on forms obtainable free of charge for this purpose from SATI within 15 days after the end of the month in which the returns have been requested and shall –
- (a) be submitted, when forwarded by post, to
SATI
P O Box 2932
PAARL
7620
 - (b) when delivered by hand, be delivered to –
SATI
63 Main Street,
PAARL,
7646
 - (c) when sent by E-mail, addressed to –
info@satqi.co.za

Commencement and period of validity

6. This is statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and shall lapse after four (4) years.

MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No 47 OF 1996)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: REGISTRATION OF
PRODUCERS AND EXPORTERS OF TABLE GRAPES**

I, John Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture acting under sections 13 and 19 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

SCHEDULE

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“Table grapes” means fresh table grapes;

“Table grape producer” means a producer of table grapes intended for fresh table grape exports; and

“Vines” means vines intended for the production of table grapes.

A person shall register as either a producer or an exporter. A person who is a producer as well as an exporter must register as a producer and as an exporter.

Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act

2. The purpose and aims of the statutory measure are to compel the parties set out herein to register with SATI. Registration is necessary to assist SATI to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to table grapes as defined, is available to all relevant role players. Market information is deemed essential for relevant role players in order for them

to make informed decisions. By combining compulsory registration with the keeping of information and the rendering of returns on an individual basis, market information for the whole of the industry can be processed and disseminated and will form the basis for the collection of levies where applicable and appropriate.

The establishment of the measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing and export of table grapes. The viability of the table grape industry should thus be enhanced. The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice.

The measure will be implemented and administered by SATI.

Products to which the statutory measure applies.

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all volumes of table grapes intended for export.

Area in which measure shall apply

4. This measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

Registration of producers and exporters

5. (1) All producers and exporters of table grapes destined for export shall register with SATI, to ensure that vine surveys are done and the volume of grapes destined (intended) for export can be determined.
(2) A person shall register as either a table grape producer or an exporter. A person who is a table grape producer as well as an exporter shall register as a table grape producer and as an exporter.

Application for registration

6. Application for registration by any table grape producer or exporter as indicated in clause five (5) above must:
 - (1) be made within 30 days of the commencement of this statutory measure, and in the case of a person becoming a table grape producer

or exporter as contemplated in clause 5 after such date of commencement, within 30 days of becoming such a party;

(2) be made on the application form obtainable free of charge from SATI;

(3) (a) be submitted, when forwarded by post, to –

SATI

P O Box 2932

PAARL

7620

(b) when delivered by hand, be delivered to –

SATI

63 Main Street

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7646

(c) when sent by E-mail, addressed to –

info@satqi.co.za

Commencement and period of validity

7. This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and will lapse four (4) years later.