

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**NO. 6906****5 December 2025**

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT, 1990 (ACT No. 119 OF 1990)

**INVITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED INSPECTION FEES
FOR 2026 BY THE DESIGNATED ASSIGNEE, PERISHABLE PRODUCTS EXPORT CONTROL
BOARD (PPECB)**

The Executive Officer: Agricultural Product Standards hereby invites comments on the proposed inspection fees in terms of section 3 of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990), as amended. The proposed inspection fees are derived from the business plan and budget, which can be accessed on the Department's website, thus enabling stakeholders to make informed comments or representations to the Executive Officer.

The proposed inspection fees for 2026 by PPECB are in respect of the following:

- Annexure A – Inspection levies (Agricultural Product Standards).

Comments and representations must be submitted within **30 days** from the date of publication of this Notice to the following address:

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ANNEXURE A**PROPOSED INSPECTION LEVIES (AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS)
FOR 2026 BY PERISHABLE PRODUCTS EXPORT CONTROL BOARD (PPECB)**

Description	Current gazetted Fee	Proposed 2026 Fee	Unit of Measure
Avocados (less than 5 kilograms)	R0.50	R 0.52	Carton
Avocados (more than or equal to 5 kilograms)	R1.00	R 1.05	Carton
Aseptically packed	R0.01	R 0.01	Kg or part thereof
Blueberries	R0.82	R 0.86	Carton
Canned products	R0.02	R 0.02	Kg or part thereof
Citrus fruit (less than 5 kilograms)	R0.40	R 0.42	Carton
Citrus fruit (more than or equal to 5 kilograms)	R1.03	R 1.08	Carton
Citrus bulk bin (less than 400 kilograms)	R24.39	R 25.49	Bin or part thereof
Citrus bulk bin (more than or equal to 400 kilograms)	R37.93	R 39.64	Bin or part thereof
Concentrates	R0.03	R 0.03	Kg or part thereof
Condensed milk	R0.12	R 0.13	Kg or part thereof
Dairy products	R0.20	R 0.21	Kg or part thereof
Dried fruit	R0.03	R 0.03	Kg or part thereof
Egg products	R0.17	R 0.18	Kg or part thereof
Flowers, bulbs and proteas	R0.55	R 0.57	Kg or part thereof
Fresh vegetables (incl. onions and potatoes)	R0.06	R 0.06	Kg or part thereof
Frozen fruit and vegetables	R0.03	R 0.03	Kg or part thereof
Grain and grain products (excluding maize)	R5.11	R 5.34	Metric ton or part thereof
Grapes (less than 6 kilograms)	R1.02	R 1.07	Carton
Grapes (more than or equal to 6 kilograms)	R2.04	R 2.13	Carton
Groundnuts	R129.98	R 135.83	Metric ton or part thereof
Pecan Nuts	R32.59	R 34.06	Metric ton or part thereof
Macadamia Nuts	R35.40	R 36.99	Metric ton or part thereof
Macadamia Nuts (with certificate)	R39.68	R 41.47	Metric ton or part thereof
Litchis (less than 5kg)	R0.36	R 0.38	Carton
Litchis (greater than or equal to 5kg)	R0.90	R 0.94	Carton
Maize inland	R5.11	R 5.34	Metric ton or part thereof
Maize (bulk loading at port)	R16.07	R 16.79	Metric ton or part thereof
Mangoes (less than 5 kilograms)	R0.83	R 0.87	Carton
Mangoes (more than or equal to 5 kilograms)	R1.67	R 1.75	Carton
Mangoes in bulk bins	R91.90	R 96.04	Bin or part thereof
Melons	R0.82	R 0.86	Carton
Other fresh fruit	R0.82	R 0.86	Carton
Persimmons (less than 1 kilogram)	R0.18	R 0.19	Carton
Persimmons (more than 1 kilogram but less than 5 kilograms)	R.046	R 0.48	Carton
Persimmons (more than or equal to 5 kilograms)	R0.83	R 0.87	Carton
Pineapples	R0.92	R 0.96	Carton
Pome fruit	R0.97	R 1.01	Carton
Pome fruit in bulk bins	R28.38	R 29.66	Bin or part thereof
Pomegranate in bulk bins	R0.00	R 43.89	Bin or part thereof
Poultry Meat	R0.07	R 0.07	Kg or part thereof
Red tea	R0.15	R 0.16	Kg or part thereof
Stone fruit	R0.90	R 0.94	Carton
Watermelons in bulk bins	R25.91	R 27.08	Bin or part thereof
All other products	R0.07	R 0.07	Kg or part thereof
Inspections on request		Published inspection levy and/or hour and kilometre rates as listed	

- Above rates will be valid from the **1st of April 2026** until further notice.
- In all instances where a service is delivered and unit rates are not sufficient to cover costs, the PPECB will retain the right to, at its discretion, charge hour and or kilometre rates as listed above instead of or in addition to the published fees. For administrative purposes hour and kilometre rates may be adapted to an equivalent tariff per unit.
- Where hourly rates are charged, a minimum fee for a one-hour call-out will be charged. Thereafter, time will be charged in half-hour segments, i.e., R 486.12 per half hour or part thereof. The same principle will be applied to overtime and Sunday time.
- After-hour callouts are defined as all callouts made outside Normal Time (8 am to 5 pm weekdays) and will be charged at the Normal Overtime or Sunday & Public holiday hour rate.

Hour and Kilometre rates	Fee	Fee (Citrus)	Unit of Measure
Normal time (8 am to 5 pm weekdays)	R 972.24	R 974.96	Hour
Normal overtime	R 1,067.66	R 1,070.67	Hour
Sundays & public holidays	R 1,194.02	R 1,197.38	Hour
Kilometre rate	R 8.30	R 8.30	Kilometre

All charges referred to in this document exclude value added tax (VAT) of 15%. Value added tax (VAT) will be charged per the guidelines of the South African Revenue Services.