

# RISK BACKGROUND

## Fresh granadilla and passionfruit for human consumption

### Overview



(Image: [Plant Health Australia](#))

Fresh granadilla (*Passiflora quadrangularis*) and passionfruit (*P. edulis*) for human consumption do not require an import permit but must be:

- sourced from New Zealand
- subject to pre-export inspection by the exporting country
- accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate
- packaged in secure packaging (i.e. insect-proof)
- inspected on-arrival.

The department has not developed import conditions for fruit sourced from countries other than New Zealand.

Importers and department staff should ensure that the BICON conditions are met and that goods are free from biosecurity risks, as well as the key risks described below.

### Key risks

#### Fruit fly

Australia's peak industry body, Passionfruit Australia, has released an Industry Biosecurity Plan which list the top pests of concern for the industry. This document recognises several fruit flies species which are of concern to Australia, such as Oriental fruit fly (*Bactrocera dorsalis*), Melon fruit fly (*B. cucurbitae*) and Papaya fruit fly (*B. papayae*). Fruit flies are considered to be [national plant priority pests](#) for Australia as they are highly invasive due to their wide host range and potential to enter, establish and spread through the movement of infected fruit. Eggs are laid below the skin of host fruit where larvae feed and develop. Some necrosis may be occur around the puncture site on affected fruit.

As the key fruit flies associated with granadilla and passionfruit are not recorded in New Zealand, risk management measures are not required for these pests.

#### Other pathway risks

Imported granadilla and passionfruit may contain biosecurity risk material such as other live insects, disease symptoms, and contaminants such as soil, weed seeds, hitchhiker pests and trash.