Date of biosecurity check:

RECOMMENDED PRACTICES	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Pests			
Apiary staff know how and where to report pests			
Pest surveillance is conducted regularly with activities and results recorded even when nothing is found			
Apiary staff are familiar with common established pests and the high priority exotic pests of honey bees			
Hives are regularly inspected for pests			
A science and evidence based health program to monitor and manage pests is implemented			
Sugar shaking and/or uncapping drone brood forms part of a routine health surveillance program to detect any potential exotic mites			
Pest threat posters are displayed and updated			
Product management			
Queen bees and packaged bees are 'certified' or have a defined and documented health status			
Queen bees, packaged bees and newly produced brood thoroughly checked within one month of arrival			
Records of queen bees and packaged bees and their sources are maintained			
Apiary staff are aware of symptoms of honey bee pests spread by queen bees and packaged bees			
No exposed honey, wax and colony debris is left on vehicles and apiary equipment			
Honey and other products are loaded and unloaded on a paved or sealed pad away from production areas			
Waste material is disposed of away from production areas (preferably buried or burnt to keep it from foraging bees)			
Biosecurity and Quality Assurance schemes such as B-Qual or a barrier system are adopted			
Industry best management practices are adopted in the production of queen bees and packaged bees, honey and specialist products and in pollination services			
Equipment and vehicles			
Wash down facilities are provided to clean vehicle trays of honey, wax and associated colony debris, especially after visiting other apiaries			
All tools and equipment, including hive tools, gloves, pallets, boxes and any other equipment used in the apiary are regularly cleaned and sterilised			
Discussions are regularly held with landholders about where the beekeeper has travelled and the risk of spreading pests and/or disease onto their property or apiary that are significant for them or their industry			
Borrowed and second-hand machinery and equipment is cleaned and sterilised before use			
Before the movement of hives and/or honey bee products and equipment interstate, the beekeeper always contact their local department of agriculture to ask about any specific health certification requirements that may be required			