Nursery checklist

To be completed through discussion with your nurseryman when purchasing propagation material from a nursery, to reduce the risk of introducing new pests to your orchard.

Nursery name:

Date of propagation material purchase:

Propagation material purchased:

RECOMMENDED PRACTICES	YES	NO	Comments
Pests			
Nursery staff familiar with general biosecurity practices			
Nursery staff familiar with exotic and endemic threats of fruit/nut crops			
Specific testing periods for mother plants and seed are programmed			
Test results are recorded and auditable			
Pest threat posters displayed			
Staff know how and where to report pests			
No unlabelled or material of unknown source accepted as propagation material			
An effective monitoring/pest management program maintained and recorded in 'spray diary' or similar			
Active surveillance is formally conducted – inspections, sticky cards, etc.			
Survey activities are recorded, even when nothing is found			
Product management			
Propagation material is free from pests			
Certified plant material is physically separated from non-certified plant material			
Register of planting material and its specific source maintained			
Member of Nursery and Garden Industry Australia and using NIASA and Biosecure <i>HACCP</i>			

RECOMMENDED PRACTICES	YES	NO	Comments
Product management cont.			
Register of plant material by accession number and date of importation maintained			
Staff are familiar with symptoms of fruit/nut crop pests transmissible in propagation material			
Pots and bins are regularly and thoroughly cleaned			
Plant debris and trimmings are disposed of appropriately			
Staff understand laws governing declaration and introduction of plant material			
People movement			
Biosecurity signs with contact details located at main entrance			
All visitors enter details into Visitor Register before moving about property			
All visitor and staff clothing, footwear and tools are free of loose soil or plant matter before entering and leaving the nursery			
All people recently returned from overseas are checked to ensure they have clean footwear and clothing before entering nursery			
Footbaths and scrubbing brushes are provided			
Staff trained in biosecurity measures and threats			
Staff understand neighbouring enterprises and their activities			
Equipment and vehicles			
Designated parking area provided for visiting vehicles and contractor equipment			
Paved, sealed or compacted walkways through the nursery propagation areas			
Suitable cleaning and wash-down facilities for in-field propagators			
Effective water treatment, recycling and run-off containment			
Vehicle and people movement minimised in production areas			
Borrowed and second-hand machinery and equipment is cleaned of all plant material and soil before entering production areas			
Root trimming secateurs, budding and grafting knives are disinfected (with bleach solution) between trees			