

Simple everyday practices protect your property from biosecurity risks. The Farm Biosecurity website brings together tools, tips, manuals and resources for all Australian producers. Find out more at farmbiosecurity.com.au

To learn more about the pests and disease concerns of macadamias in Australia visit planthealthaustralia.com.au/industries/macadamias

FARM BIOSECURITY

Secure your farm

...against diseases, pests and weeds



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BIOSECURITY ESSENTIALS

The best defence against pests and diseases is to implement sound biosecurity practices on your farm. Quick and simple measures built into everyday practice will help protect your farm and your future.



Farm inputs

Almost anything moved onto your property can be a potential source of pests and diseases. Monitor plants and animals that enter the property, along with water, feed and fertiliser. Make sure material like mulch and chicken manure is free from pests and pathogens (eg. fire ants).

Farm outputs

Responsibility for biosecurity doesn't end when plant products or animals leave the farm. The measures in place on your property support biosecurity in your region and your industry.



People, vehicles and equipment

If it can move, it can carry pests, diseases and weeds. For this reason, people, vehicles and equipment pose a high biosecurity risk and should be managed accordingly. Biosecurity signs on your gate and shed ensure people visiting your property are aware of the importance of biosecurity.



Production practices

It makes good business sense to reduce the risk of spreading pests and diseases. Implement simple biosecurity measures as part of your everyday farm management practices. Many pests and pathogens can spread through the movement of leaves and nuts. Use a suitable sanitiser to clean equipment, especially hedgers and secateurs.

Train, plan and record

Develop an on-farm biosecurity plan and undertake a biosecurity risk assessment for your property, then keep it up to date and review it annually. Keep accurate records of purchases, sales and movements so that you can trace where farm inputs, plants and animals come from and go to. Ensure that staff are well trained.



Ferals and weeds

Plant pests, weeds and feral animals can cause harm to your business, so they need to be actively controlled. Know the symptoms of the pests and pathogens found in your orchard cause. If you notice something different don't ignore it. Early detection gives you the best opportunity to control a new pest or disease.

