

# INDUSTRY NOTICE

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## VINTAGE REQUIREMENTS IN THE EVENT OF FRUIT FLY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA: NEW RESOURCE FOR THE WINE INDUSTRY

Vinehealth Australia is pleased to release a new and comprehensive resource for the South Australian wine industry – a [Biosecurity Bulletin](#) titled ‘Vintage requirements for fruit fly in South Australia.’

There are currently multiple fruit fly outbreaks in South Australia’s Riverland and metropolitan Adelaide areas with end dates for the lifting of movement requirements set for late December 2021. There is a possibility that these end dates may be extended into the 2022 vintage period.

Winegrapes are a host for Queensland fruit fly and Mediterranean fruit fly. Accordingly in the event of a fruit fly outbreak, it is mandatory that growers, wineries and carriers comply with:

- **operational requirements** applicable to vineyard practices, and
- **movement requirements** applicable to winegrapes moving between vineyards and wineries or processing facilities.

Vinehealth’s new [Biosecurity Bulletin](#) enables you to familiarise yourself with these requirements and the options available to you to meet them – whether your business is inside a current Fruit Fly Affected Area (FFAA), receiving winegrapes grown inside a current FFAA, or considering your options to prepare your business for a fruit fly outbreak in the state.

### HIGHLIGHTS

This resource:

- Takes you through the steps to identify the movement requirements that apply to your vineyard or winery associated with maturity/diagnostic testing, harvesting of winegrapes, transporting of winegrape loads, and receipt of winegrape loads
- Details an option to pre-emptively apply to PIRSA for accreditation, and who should consider this option
- For those who will need accreditation for a vineyard and/or winery:
  - Details the process, timing, and costs through easy-to-use flowcharts for new and renewing applicants
  - Provides links to the formal Operational Procedures for these accreditations and the application forms

- Details an alternative to accreditation, being certification, and the circumstances under which this is applicable to a business

The new fruit fly [Biosecurity Bulletin](#) takes you through all you need to know to prepare your business for a fruit fly outbreak, or to respond to an outbreak, in a logical stepwise approach.

You can also find this information on Vinehealth's webpages relating to the current Riverland fruit fly outbreaks [here](#) and Metropolitan Adelaide fruit fly outbreaks [here](#).

## FOR ASSISTANCE

- For all queries related to the [Biosecurity Bulletin](#), and/or for assistance in determining which part of the FFAA (if any) your business is in, contact Vinehealth Australia's Technical Manager Suzanne McLoughlin on 0412 859 882 or email [suzanne@vinehealth.com.au](mailto:suzanne@vinehealth.com.au).
- For all queries related to the application for accreditations or certification within a FFAA, or for table grape queries, contact the PIRSA Industry Hotline on 1800 255 556.
- To report suspected fruit fly, or for non-commercial enquiries, phone the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010.