

Sweet Orange Scab (SOS) Packing House Procedures Check List

- Prepare Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to outline the process the packing house staff will follow in order to export citrus fruit to Australia/New Zealand, an example is provided and can be modified to meet specific PH operations as long as basic information is consistent with requirements
- Identify the treatment protocol by chemical that will be used for the surface disinfectant, and the fungicide treatment from the approved list as described in the APHIS Federal Order (FO)
- Logs for treatment must show the lots treated daily and must be available for review upon request prior to inspection by county, APHIS inspectors. Packing house can use current logs providing the logs show specific lots treated by date and chemical amounts applied.
- Have available the MSDS and pesticide label for the chemical treatments upon request of county, or APHIS inspectors.
- Maintain, along with the SOP, a copy of the abbreviated APHIS Federal Order, a sample of your PH treatment log, a sample of your PH attestation letter with identification number for shipment, and a diagram of your packing facility layout to show location of the surface treatment drench tank, fungicide treatment, and location of the treatment log printouts.

*Note if an Australian or New Zealand Inspector request to see the official documents such as logs, pesticide reports that may contain proprietary information these request must be made to the APHIS or County Inspector, first. Copies of these documents are not to be given to the foreign inspector unless cleared first with APHIS.

*Note the identification number on the attestation letter must be able to trace the treatment of each lot in the shipment to Australia/New Zealand back to the treatment logs.