

"Notice: Export Coordination Meeting for Citrus Fruit to Special Markets



Producers and exporters of citrus fruit (i.e Sweet Orange, Lemon, Grapefruit, Lime, Pummelo and Mandarin) are encouraged to participate in the Department of Agriculture's annual discussions.

All the arrangements and requirements for the 2006/7 export season will be finalised and explained based on the South Africa's citrus fruit export programmes. The meeting will be held in Port Elizabeth (Eastern Cape) on 20 September 2006: details of the venue and time will soon be posted on the DoA website (<http://www.nda.agric.za/> > **Regulatory and Other Services** > **National Plant Protection Organisation** > **Export Programmes**).

Successful fruit exports depend on compliance with the requirements of target markets, and compliance begins in the orchard (please see the relevant export protocols on <http://www.nda.agric.za/> > **Regulatory and Other Services** > **National Plant Protection Organisation** > **Export Programmes** > **Export Programmes and International Protocols**).

Representatives of the DoA's Directorate Plant Health and Directorate Agricultural Product Inspection Services as well as key Industry role-players will troubleshoot the past export season with the aim of further streamlining export procedures. All new developments will also be on the agenda. Further information can be obtained from Mr. Patrick Tshikhudo, Tel. +27 12 319 6330, Fax: +12 319 6580, E-mail: PatrickT@nda.agric.za OR Mr. Mashudu Silimela, Tel. +27 12 319 6241, E-mail: MashuduS@nda.agric.za ".