California Citrus to Thailand 2022-2023

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California citrus species allowed for export to Thailand

Orange (includes Navels, Tangerines, Tangelos, Valencia)

Lemons

Grapefruit (including Pummelo)

All commercial citrus hybrid cultivars

Packinghouses source citrus fruit only from registered commercial orchards.

Registration list for Packinghouses maintained by APHIS.

Registered commercial orchards list maintained by packinghouses

Pest of Concern

Harmful Organism List in PExD: Not an inclusive list – If not on list specimen is sent for ID (genus & species, viability)

Fruit Fly Monitoring (safeguarding)

Phytosanitary Import Requirements: Conditions for export for fresh citrus fruit from California noted in Annex 1. List of Quarantine Pest

Import Permit Issued by Thailand DOA is required.

Phytosanitary Inspection level same as Australia and New Zealand 600 fruit. If consignment is less than 1,000 cartons the sample size is 450 fruit



Other Areas of Concern to Thailand

Consignments free from live pest, disease symptoms, contaminants such as seed, soil, trash or debris

Detection of Quarantine Pest on arrival may result in Thailand DOA suspending packinghouse. DOA and APHIS would determine corrective actions

Management Measures for Fuller's Rose Beetle (FRB) are to follow UC IPM Guidelines. Detection of FRB during export inspection removes the orchard block/lot for the season

Management Measures for Sweet Orange Scab (SOS) follow packinghouse procedures as outline in the USDA Federal Order same as for Australia

Fruit Flies

Citrus from FF Q-area must be cold treated either prior to shipping or in-transit. Follow cold treatment protocol

Must be safeguarded in-transit or trans loading to ensure no contamination when moving through a Fruit Fly Quarantine area.

See the California Monitoring System and Fruit Fly Monitor System CDFA Website

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