



Notice to Industry
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Quarantine Approved Premises (QAP) 2011 Renewals Advice

Who is affected by this notice?

This notice is for AQIS clients who are current Quarantine Approved Premise (QAP) operators.

Background

Quarantine Approved Premises (QAPs) are places approved by AQIS to deal with goods subject to quarantine. There are many different types of QAPs, including sea and air freight depots, plant nurseries and laboratories.

QAPs are approved on an annual basis, coinciding with the financial year. Current approvals for all QAPs will expire on 30 June 2011. QAP operators who wish to continue to operate a QAP in 2011-12 will need to renew their QAP approval.

AQIS has posted a **2011 QAP Renewal Package** to all current QAP operators. The package includes:

- A 'QAP Renewal of Approval Application' form
- Step-by-Step Instructions for completing the renewal process
- Frequently Asked Questions on the renewal process.

AQIS will also be posting all current QAP operators their 'QAP Renewal Invoice' the week beginning 16 May 2011.

What happens next?

To renew a QAP approval, QAP operators must return the 'QAP Renewal of Approval Application' form to their local AQIS regional office and pay the QAP fee no later than **5.00 pm, 15 June 2011**.

QAP operators who fail to renew their QAP approval by this date can expect their QAP approval to expire from 1 July 2011. After the expiry of a QAP approval, operators will no longer be permitted to handle goods subject to quarantine.

Further Information

The AQIS website has further information on the [QAP Renewal 2011](#) process or inquiries can be directed to your local [AQIS regional office](#).