

Interim WA import requirements for Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus host material

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Western Australia (WA) have allowed an interim import condition for Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus (TYLCV) until 15 January 2022

Western Australia have allowed the following interim import requirement for importation of Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus (TYLCV) host material into WA.

INTERIM IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

The interim measures end on 14 January 2022.

TYLCV hosts can be certified if the property or production site has been surveyed by Agriculture Victoria within the past 6 months and found free from TYLCV.

TYLCV vectors (known as Silverleaf Whitefly hosts) can be certified if the property or production site has been surveyed by Agriculture Victoria within the past 28 days and found free from TYLCV.

The full host list can be found at <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/iaquarantine/regulations.asp?txtcommodity=15180&optformat=10&optstate=Any&optregid=C26>

IMPORT REQUIREMENTS AFTER 15 JANUARY 2022

From 15 January 2022 the following Import Requirement condition C26 will apply.

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TOMATO YELLOW LEAF CURL VIRUS

Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus (TYLCV) is a plant virus that can infect more than 30 different kinds of plants but most commonly causes significant disease in tomatoes.

TYLCV is mainly spread by the insect vector Silverleaf Whitefly (*Bemisia tabaci*), a species of small, sap sucking insect that also attacks a wide range of other plants.

Silverleaf Whitefly acquire TYLCV by feeding on infected plants and transmit the virus by feeding on healthy plants. The whitefly are usually observed on the underside of leaves of host plants.

TYLCV is not known to be seed borne.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information on requirements and inspections, please contact Agriculture Victoria via telephone on 136 186 or email the Region relevant for service delivery

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- South West Region: plant.southwest@agriculture.vic.gov.au
- Northern Region: plant.quarantine@agriculture.vic.gov.au

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