

Member Notice - October 15, 2010

New Import Requirements for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

In order to better regulate the import of fruits and vegetables into Canada, the CFIA will implement the attached new requirements on **December 1**st of this year.

The new requirements relate to declaring in box 22 on the COS form or in the "Registration Requirements" field if transmitting import information through EDI, one or more of the following:

- when importing any type of produce, a CFIA federal produce licence number, a DRC membership number or an exemption
- when importing cantaloupes from Mexico, the name of the grower/packer company
- when importing leafy greens from California, the name of the signatory handler

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact CFIA, John Wood at (204) 984-6188 or Ian MacKenzie (416) 259 – 7827, ext. 231 or ian@opma-assn.com.