



# QBAN Application form



The Quality Banana Approved Nursery (QBAN) scheme has been operating since the mid- 1990s, administered by the Queensland state government and supported by the Australian Banana Growers' Council (ABGC). The Scheme allows for the provision of superior high-health banana planting material to enhance biosecurity on-farm and contribute to the industry's ongoing sustainability and profitability. In 2018-2019, the QBAN scheme was revised and transitioned to the Nursery Industry Accreditation Scheme Australia (NIASA) through a project funded through Hort Innovation. The QBAN Scheme is now jointly administered by Greenlife Industry Australia (GIA) Limited and ABGC.

The NIASA accreditation arrangement allows for a business to be accredited in one or more activities associated with banana nursery stock production, those being:

- PART A - Sourcing or collection of material for tissue culture initiation; and/or
- PART B - Tissue culture production requirements; and/or
- PART C - Banana nursery plant production requirements.

**To be eligible to apply to ABGC for QBAN accreditation, a propagative business must:**

- Implement the requirements specified within the NIASA Banana Nursery Stock Specification Appendix; and
- Be NIASA accredited under that Specification (as a supplying production nursery); and
- Be found at audit to have implemented the procedures within the Appendix to a satisfactory standard; and
- Demonstrate this through provision of a NIASA Banana Nursery Stock Specification Accreditation certificate attached to this application.
- Annual QBAN fee of – \$100 plus GST
- Agree with the QBAN terms and conditions.

**Some of the benefits to businesses for QBAN accreditation include:**

- Inclusion of your business in a listing of QBAN businesses in Australian Bananas Magazine (three issues per year).
- Opportunity, exclusive to QBAN businesses, to advertise your business in Australian Bananas Magazine (fees apply).
- Inclusion of your business in the QBAN business listing on the ABGC Web site.
- ABGC will encourage banana growers to source planting material from your business.

Please complete the attached application form, pay the required fee and email your application to ABGC at [info@abgc.org.au](mailto:info@abgc.org.au)

For further enquires. please contact Dr Rosie Godwin at ABGC (07) 3278 4786



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| <b>Business name</b>   |   |   |   |
| <b>Primary contact</b>   |   |   |   |
| <b>Email</b>   |   |   |   |
| <b>Phone Number</b>  | Office  | Mobile  |   |
| <b>Business physical address (Site) 1</b>  |   |   |   |
| <b>Business physical address (Site) 2</b>  |   |   |   |
| <b>Business physical address (Site) 3</b>  |   |   |   |
| <b>Business postal address</b>   |   |   |   |
| <b>Current NIASA accreditation</b>   | PART A  | PART B  | PART C  |
| <b>NIASA Certificate for NIASA Banana Nursery Stock Specification of each site attached?</b> | PART A<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/><br>No <input type="checkbox"/>   | PART B<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/><br>No <input type="checkbox"/> | PART C<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/><br>No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Business representative name</b>  |   |   |   |
| <b>Payment Details</b><br>Annual fee \$100<br>GST \$10                                       | <b>Payment amount: \$110</b><br><b>Australian Banana Growers Council inc.</b><br>NAB                      BSB: 84-004                      Account: 507491144 |   |   |
| <b>Signature</b>   |   |   |   |
| <b>Date</b>  |   |   |   |