



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

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



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