



## **Perth Markets update – Queensland fruit fly (Qfly) Coolbellup**

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21 May 2021

Western Australia has been declared free of Queensland fruit fly (Qfly) after a successful 15-month campaign to eradicate the destructive pest from the Perth metropolitan area.

The last day of the Quarantine Area Notice and approved measures for the intrastate movement of Queensland fruit fly (Qfly) is Monday 24 May.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) appreciates the efforts undertaken at Perth Markets to secure host produce, this was vital to protect our horticultural industries.

Western Australia's Area Freedom from Qfly, which underpins market access for a range of produce, has been restored.

We must do all we can to keep WA's Queensland fruit fly free status – it protects our export market access and prevents us from having to cold treat or fumigate fruit that moves to sensitive markets.

Early detection is the best protection against serious horticultural pests such as Qfly. Stay vigilant for signs of Qfly, sightings of unusual insects or damage to produce.

Report biosecurity concerns to DPIRD's Pest and Disease Information Service on (08) 9368 3080 or email [padis@dpird.wa.gov.au](mailto:padis@dpird.wa.gov.au). Alternatively, send photos via DPIRD's MyPestGuide™ Reporter app (Google Play Store and Apple iTunes Store), or email [padis@dpird.wa.gov.au](mailto:padis@dpird.wa.gov.au).