



**Queensland  
Government**

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

*Biosecurity Act 2014*

Pursuant to chapter 6, part 4 *Biosecurity Act 2014*

**Biosecurity instrument permit**

BIP-RIFA -20G003

In pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Chief Executive for the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries by the *Biosecurity Act 2014*, permission is granted to the Permit Holder to perform an activity or not perform an activity other than in compliance with the biosecurity instrument (biosecurity zone regulatory provisions) (described by reference to the relevant sections of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*) for the purpose and subject to the conditions (if any) set out below:

**Permit holder**

Persons living in a fire ant biosecurity zone (non-commercial).

**Term**

This Permit has effect from 21 July 2020 and expires (unless earlier cancelled) on 30 June 2021.

**Permit holder location(s)**

Residential address within a fire ant biosecurity zone.

**Purpose**

Permit purpose - To move potted plants (less than 60L) from a residential place within a fire ant biosecurity zone to anywhere in Queensland.

**Stated biosecurity matter or carrier**

Potted plants (less than 60L)

**Source location (provide all details that apply)**

Any residential place within a fire ant biosecurity zone.

**Destination location (provide all details that apply):**

Any location within Queensland

### Conditions

1. The potted plant must be inspected for any ant activity prior to movement off site.
2. If any ants suspected of being fire ants are detected, Biosecurity Queensland must be notified on 13 25 23 within 24 hours and no movement of potted plants is to occur until further advised by a Biosecurity Queensland inspector.
3. All contractors and sub-contractors involved with moving the potted plants, prior to the movement, must have read and understood this permit to ensure all aspects of this permit are being followed.
4. This permit is not transferable.
5. This permit does not remove, override or negate other associated legislative obligations.

### Offence warning

A person who holds a biosecurity instrument permit and who does not comply with the conditions of this biosecurity instrument permit, without reasonable excuse, commits an offence under section 133 (1) of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*. The maximum penalty for an offence under this section is 2000 penalty units or one year's imprisonment.

A person who holds a biosecurity instrument permit and while acting, or purportedly acting, under the authority of the biosecurity instrument permit, without reasonable excuse, commits an offence under section 133 (2) of the *Biosecurity Act 2014* if they do not carry the permit with the person. The maximum penalty for an offence under this section is 100 penalty units.

A person who holds a biosecurity instrument permit must, if asked to do so by an authorised officer, and unless the person has a reasonable excuse, produce the permit to the authorised officer for the authorised officer's inspection—

- (a) if the person is at the time of the request acting, or purportedly acting, under the authority of the permit—immediately;  
or
- (b) otherwise—within the shortest practicable time after the request is made.

A person who does not comply with this commits an offence under section 133 (3) of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*. The maximum penalty for an offence under this section is 100 penalty units.

### Inspector's authorisation



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