



To whom it may concern,

Lynwood propagates and sell avocado trees to New Zealand growers to a standard specified in New Zealand Avocado High Health Scheme. These standards are both internally and externally audited.

The main tenets of the high health scheme are;

- trees are true to type,
- the risk of trees being infected with *Phytophthora cinimmomi* is minimized,
- the risk of trees being infected with Avocado Sun Blotch Viroid is minimized,
- trees meet certain physical specifications.

All protected plant material is propagated under license, which ensures it has been obtained under applicable intellectual property laws and is traced through the propagation process through to final tree label. All source material for high health plants can be tracked back to source blocks.

As part of compliance with physical specifications, the final High Health Plant must be free from obvious symptoms of pest, disease or other disorder that may impact tree viability. There are multiple overlapping systems employed by Lynwood to ensure this is achieved including the use of a full integrated pest management programme. Records are maintained of pest and disease monitoring, threshold levels, and when agrichemicals are used, all relevant details of applications are recorded.

During a propagation season there are 250-300 applications of agrichemicals across the nursery. Much of what we do is our intellectual property, so we can only make this information available on a snapshot basis.

Asurequality as our external auditor has ensured our systems and processes are robust and executed respectively, and this can assure growers their trees meet food safety standards.