PHYTOSANITARY REQUIREMENT, RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS

**PHYTOSANITARY REQUIREMENT ON RESTRICTION MATTER**

There are same Restricted and Prohibited of goods that are imported in the Country. A Importer must apply for an import permit from the Plant Protection and Quarantine Section to allow him/her to bringing in any vegetables, fruits, meats of any kind, eggs and aggregate, rocks and soil from others Country.

1. Vegetables, Fruits and Meat and Eggs

All the vegetables and fruits are allow to import, but there are restricted, the commodities must be clean and free of pest, and pack in clean packaging. For pineapples must be de-corm, it must have an import permit accompany together with the phytosanitary from the country of origin.

1. Aggregate, Rocks and Soil

The import permit template used for all quarantine risk articles including the above is the same, except that the import requirement vary according to the commodity type and status.

Fresh fruits and vegetables require a fumigation certificate attached to the phyto to cerify treatment details.

The importer must apply for an import it, he/she must send it to the exporter either in Fiji, Australia, when soil, sand or aggregate arrive, and we will do the clearance to make sure they are free of plant, fumigated well and must have the fumigation certificate together during the inspection of the container.

**Prohibited**

There are some fruits and leaf are prohibited to import into the country, such as

* banana,
* pawpaw,
* coconut,
* mango and
* Fresh taro leaves.

DATABASE (TQUID)

* Connect to the Government Server and is accessible from the airport and seaport

**AIRPORT**

* Import permit
* Phytosanitary
* Container Cleaning certificate

Tuvalu’s issues import permit, container cleaning certificate and phytosanitary certificate through the national biosecurity database TQUID.

**SEAPORT**

* Wharf Inspection (ship, etc)
* Incoming ship records

Tuvalu currently use the Tuvalu Quarantine Information Database to record wharf inspection data as per vessel type, voyage number and date of arrival. Inspection is done manually on site and data updated into the TQUID when officer arrives to seaport office.