

MOVEMENT OF GRAPEVINES AND GRAPEVINE MATERIALS ACROSS PHYLLOXERA QUARANTINE ZONES

The movement of grapevine planting material within Victoria is subject to regulations relating to the State's phylloxera quarantine zones.

Significant fines apply if nurseries distributing grapevine planting material to re-sellers do not follow the correct protocols.

Grape phylloxera is most commonly spread through the transport of grapevine cuttings, rootlings, grapes, soil, used vineyard equipment or packaging.

Victoria has strong quarantine protocols and uses three phylloxera quarantine zones (see map overleaf) to stop the spread of phylloxera:

- **Phylloxera Exclusion Zone (PEZ):** where phylloxera is known not to exist or which has been surveyed and found to be free of the pest;
- **Phylloxera Risk Zone (PRZ):** where phylloxera is thought not to exist, but which has never been formally surveyed; and
- **Phylloxera Infested Zone (PIZ):** where phylloxera is known to exist.

The movement of potted grapevines from either a PIZ or a PRZ is prohibited under any circumstances due to the possibility of the potting soil harbouring phylloxera. This restriction applies regardless of the origin of the potted vine - even if it was from a PEZ.

The movement of grapevine cuttings and bare-rooted rootlings from PIZs is also prohibited. They may be moved from a PRZ to a PEZ, but only with a permit which requires disinfestation treatments to be applied.

A large area of Victoria has been declared a PEZ and DPI is working to increase this area to protect Victoria's viticulture industries and maximise market access.

Enquiries regarding the movement of grapevines, grapevine products and related equipment within Victoria, or into other states, should be directed to the appropriate Plant Standards Officer (as shown in the table below) for the region in question.

Area	Plant Standards Officer	Phone number
Mildura	Pam Shaw	(03) 5051 4596
Ballarat	Peter Clarke	(03) 5336 6859
Seymour	Hannah Rhode	(03) 5735 4300
Gippsland	Lavinia Zirnsak	(03) 5152 0632
Rutherglen	Chris Pollard	(02) 6030 4574
Melbourne & Yarra Valley	Tanya Krause	(03) 8371 3510
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