

Application for authorisation to import GMOs intended for trial release and application for a trial release in South Africa

Obtain the **application forms** for both the 1) [Import](#) and the 2) [Intentional introduction \(for trial release\) of a GMO](#) and the [Guidelines for the public notification](#) from the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries' [Genetic Resources: Biosafety Division's webpage](#)

Complete the application form including:

- a **map** indicating the location of the proposed trial site (e.g. ordnance survey map of appropriate scale with site marked, as well as a map indicating crops planted adjacent to the site and the distances involved).
- a **risk assessment**
- details of the **physical and operational measures** appropriate for mitigating risk during the field trial
- **Sign the affidavit** in the presence of a commissioner of oaths

Prepare and **publish a Public Notification** in at least three (3) local newspapers circulating in the area of the trial release

Pay required [application fee](#) per import application and trial release application to [DAFF](#)

Copy the completed application forms for own records and **send the following** with a cover letter indicating the intent of the potential importer and proof of payment to the Registrar (see contact details below):

- original completed confidential business information (CBI) application and 13 copies of the CBI application
- one hard copy and one electronic copy (CD of the non-CBI application) of the non-CBI application
- original public notification must accompany the trial release application (newspaper clippings)

Postal address

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