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## NOTIFICATION

### *Addendum*

The following communication, received on 10 February 2026, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Australia.

#### Melon fruit from Japan: biosecurity import requirements draft report

The Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (the department) has published the import conditions for fresh melon fruit from Japan, for human consumption.

All varieties of melon fruit (*Cucumis melo*) are permitted to be imported. This includes muskmelon, rockmelon and honeydew melon. Import is not permitted for oriental melons (*C. melo* var. *makuwa*) and oriental pickling melons (*C. melo* var. *utilissimus* (syn. *C. melo* var. *conomon*)) from Japan.

Fresh melons from Japan must be produced under pest area freedom for the fruit fly, *Zeugodacus tau*, to achieve the appropriate level of protection for Australia. Melon fruit from the Okinawa Prefecture are not permitted to be imported into Australia.

Details are available on the department's website, [Import conditions for fresh melons from Japan](#) and in BICON, [BICON - Import Conditions](#).

#### **This addendum concerns a:**

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