FOOD BUSINESS OPERATOR (FBO) CODES

WHAT IS A FBO CODE?

Food Business Operator (FBO) Code: means an alpha-numeric code which has been registered with the Executive Officer of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, (No. 119 of 1990 (APS Act) by each producer, packhouse packing agricultural products of plant origin destined for export and local.

PURPOSE FOR APPLYING FOR A FBO CODE

The registration of a FBO code is to facilitate the traceability process of tracing and tracking of product one step up and one step down in the supply chain.

NOTE:
Production unit = whole farm.
FBO codes are not allocated per commodity/orchard.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING FOR A FBO CODE

1. Completed FBO application and updating form in full (new codes or for updating current profiles).
2. Supporting documents to accompany application form:
   - Certified copy of owner's / director's ID.
   - Title deed / lease agreement for farm (PUC).

3. **For citrus applications**:
   * Completed FBO application and updating form in full.
   * Certified copy of owner's / director's ID.
   * Title deed / lease agreement for farm (PUC)
   * A geographical map (in colour) clearly indicating the farm and orchard layout.
   * Motivation for applying for additional / extra codes on same farm (PUC).

TURN-AROUND TIME FOR PROCESSING APPLICATION

Five working days (depending on internet), excluding citrus applications which should first be verified by D:IS.

VALIDITY OF CODE

The code stays active forever unless applicant request to be deleted from the database.
Revoking of codes by Executive Officer.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

Please do not send incomplete forms and without supporting documents as indicated on the FBO application form.

Please include all addresses and contact details (phone numbers and emails).

Please do not write n/a at the address or contact details.

NO COSTS INVOLVED IN APPLYING FOR FBO CODE

Link: http://webapps1.daff.gov.za/FBO

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