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Peach & Nectarine Fee Adjustment & Rebate

The Board has made an adjustment to the 2010 Licence Fee & Service Charge rates. For those licenced growers who sold peaches and nectarines other than through an Appointed Dealer-Shipper, they will be invoiced at the adjusted lower rates. For growers who marketed through an Appointed Dealer-Shipper(s), your shipper will provide a rebate payment directly to you. The shippers were only advised of this adjustment on November 22, 2010 so it will take them a while to calculate the rebates and make these payments. Hopefully, these payments will be made before Christmas.

The revised rates by container type are as follows:

Peaches	Original Rates	New Rates	Adjustment (Rebate)
8x2, 6x3, 25 Lb.	\$.67	\$.57	\$.10
4x3	\$.50	\$.40	\$.10
6 Litre Basket	\$.28	\$.23	\$.05
15 Lb. Carton	\$.42	\$.34	\$.08
3x7 Litre	\$.84	\$.69	\$.15
3x5 Litre	\$.69	\$.59	\$.10
10 Count	\$.14	\$.11	\$.03
Nectarines			
8x2, 6x3 and 25 Lb.	\$.57	\$.47	\$.10

Containers for 2010 (Plastic)

To the best of our knowledge, the plastic container requirements for 2011 are as follows:

Peaches	6x3 Lidded (same as 2010)
Nectarines	8x2 Lidded (same as 2010)
Pears	8x2 Lidded (6x3 lidded in 2010)
Plums	10x1.5 Clams & Punnets (same as 2010)
Grapes	8x2 Clams (8x2 lidded in 2010)

Vortex Packaging has advised that growers and dealers may return their 2 litre lidded grape baskets and 3 litre lidded pear baskets. Vortex has contracted with Vineland Growers to re-label them.

If you have an inventory of the 2 litre lidded grape and/or 3 litre lidded pear baskets, please contact your shipper by December 15, 2010 to make the necessary arrangements.

PPV Eradication Program

Nothing new to report at this time!

Water Taking Permits

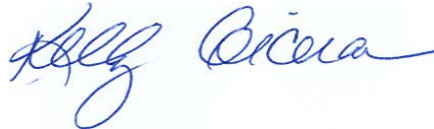
OFVGA advises that farmers with permits to take water are reminded to check the expiry date of their documents. They encourage growers to review their paperwork to ensure that their permits remain current or can be renewed prior to the start of next season.

Fruit & vegetable farmers with questions regarding their renewals are invited to contact George Shearer at the OFVGA office, a surface water scientist on their staff who can assist growers with permit applications and renewals. George can be reached at 519-763-6160, ext. 219 or water@ofvga.org.

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Enclosure – 2011 Foodland Ontario Calendar