



Shipping Home Grown Citrus Fruit from Florida 2009 – 2010 Season

The US Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has quarantined the entire State of Florida for citrus canker, a serious bacterial disease not found in any other citrus-producing areas of the United States or its territories. Scientific studies have now shown that citrus fruit commercially disinfected, processed and packed poses minimal risk of spreading citrus canker. USDA regulations (7 CFR 301.75) therefore allow citrus fruit to be shipped out of the citrus canker quarantine area to all states if packed by a licensed commercial packinghouse operating under a USDA compliance agreement, regardless of whether the fruit was produced in a commercial grove or homeowner yard. During the commercial packing process, fruit is removed of plant debris, washed, disinfected, graded and packed into shipping containers marked with a USDA-APHIS-PPQ-CHRP Certificate. Citrus trees, leaves and other citrus plant parts continue to pose a high risk of spreading citrus canker, and therefore cannot be moved to other States.

The following packinghouses have indicated they will pack home grown citrus fruit. This list is subject to change. Packinghouses are under no obligation to provide this service, and the USDA offers no guarantee of customer satisfaction. Listed packinghouses merely meet the minimum USDA requirements necessary to provide this service. Please contact the Citrus Health Response Program hotline at 1-800-282-5153 for future changes.

Packinghouses Accepting Home Grown Fruit

A.W. Crisafulli Groves

5515 N Courtenay Pkwy
Merritt Island FL 32953-7223
321-452-8110, 800-683-6700
Details: Minimum of 1/2 bushel (4 gallons)

May Groves

1885 US Hwy 1 North
Titusville, FL 32796
Phone: 321-745-8575, Contact: Barry Gainer

Neukom Groves, Inc.

5409 Gall Blvd, Zephyrhills, FL 33542-3929
813-782-5596, fax 813-788-2048

Poinsettia Groves

1481 U.S. Hwy 1, Vero Beach FL 32960
772-562 -3356, Contact: Jeb Hudson

The Mail Center

3206 S Hopkins Ave, Titusville FL 32780
321-268-2255

The Orange Shop

PO Box 125, Citra, FL 32113-0125
800-672-6439, email:
info@floridaorangeshop.com