




Important Information

- Each state or territory has their own requirements for the movement of bees, bee products and beekeeping equipment and penalties apply across all jurisdictions for failure to follow legislation.
- All beekeepers must understand their obligations ensuring they hold the correct permits and/or documentation prior to conducting any interstate movements.
- This Interstate Hive Movement Guideline provides beekeepers with information and contact points, this document may be useful for pollination dependant industries and brokers in managing their current business requirements to better understand the conditions of state entry requirements more broadly.




Hive Movements into Victoria

State & Contact	Varroa destructor Status	Conditions for entry:
<p>Into VICTORIA</p>  <p>Agriculture Victoria</p> <p>PH: 136 186 AgVic Permits</p>	<p>Hives from ANY State/Territory</p>	<p>From 11 September 2025, the statewide Varroa control area order has been lifted and Varroa permits are no longer required for the introduction of bees and hives from any jurisdiction.</p> <p>ALL beekeepers seeking to introduce bees, bee products and used beekeeping equipment from any jurisdiction MUST apply for and be granted a health certificate.</p> <p>Note: The health certificate application forms have been updated to incorporate conditions relating to the management of Varroa destructor.</p> <p>All required information can be found here: Moving bees interstate Moving livestock and animals Biosecurity Agriculture Victoria</p>




Hive Movements Into QLD

State & Contact	Varroa destructor Status	Conditions for entry:		
Into QUEENSLAND  Biosecurity Queensland PH: 13 25 23 info@daf.qld.gov.au QLD DPI Website	Hives from a State/Territory Positive for Varroa	Permit	Surveillance Testing and Hive Records	Training
		You must hold a biosecurity instrument permit. Varroa mite carrier permit application	Must have below threshold washes. Treatment or management records maintained for the 24-months.	BOLT
	Hives from a State/Territory Negative for Varroa	Conditions for entry:		
		Permit	Quarantine Secure	
		No Permit required	Requires preventing access and escape by bees while in transit.	



Hive Movements into SA

State & Contact	Varroa destructor Status	Conditions for entry:				
Into SOUTH AUSTRALIA <i>(Excluding Kangaroo Island)</i>  PIRSA Ph: 13 28 46 pirsa.beebiosecurity@sa.gov.au SA Varroa Response Plan PIRSA Gazette	Hives from a State/Territory Positive for Varroa See SA Varroa Response Plan , Section 3.5	Permit	Surveillance Testing	Hive Records	Health Certificate	Training
		Prior Approval Required. Varroa Mite Entry Application	Hives must be Varroa negative. Specific Distance & Rates see the SA Varroa Response Plan	Must complete Bee and Bee Commodity PIRSA Record Document	Health Certificate PIRSA Health Cert.	T2M Varroa Basics online
	Hives from a State/Territory Negative for Varroa (Excluding Tasmania)	Conditions for entry:				
		Permit	Surveillance Testing	Hive Records	Health Certificate	Training
		Prior Approval Required. Varroa Mite Entry Application	Specific rates see the SA Varroa Plan	Must complete Bee and Bee Commodity PIRSA Record Document	Health Certificate PIRSA Health Cert.	T2M Varroa Basics online



Hive Movements into remaining States and Territories

State/Territory & Contact	Varroa destructor Status	Conditions for entry:
TASMANIA	Hives from ANY State/Territory	Movement prohibited General Biosecurity Direction (Emergency) - Bees and apiary products used equipment (Varroa).pdf
KANGAROO ISLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA	Hives from ANY State/Territory	Movement prohibited PIRSA Government Gazette
NORTHERN TERRITORY	Hives from ANY State/Territory	Hive movement prohibited NT.GOV.AU Only health certified package bees from Small Hive Beetle Free area of Western Australia.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	Hives from ANY State/Territory	<p>QUARANTINE WA Import Requirements https://iaquarantine.dpird.wa.gov.au/</p> <p>Not permitted except where authorised by, and in accordance with the terms and conditions of, an import permit issued under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007</p> <p>REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORT OF PRESCRIBED POTENTIAL CARRIERS OF THE DECLARED PESTS OF HONEY BEES (<i>Apis mellifera</i>) Honey, honeycomb, propolis, royal jelly, pollen, beeswax, bees (dead), bee larvae (dead), used beehives, beekeeping appliances/equipment, queen candy and other honey products</p>
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	Hives from ANY State/Territory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> less than three months duration in ACT will need provide name, address and existing state hive registration details to ACTBiosecurity@act.gov.au If a beekeeper wants to bring hives from NSW to ACT for more than three months of a 12 month period they will need to register the hives with ACT. Application for Registration as a Beekeeper

You can reach out to AHBIC via:

Varroa Coordinator

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