

MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996
(ACT No 47 OF 1996)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: REGISTRATION OF
PRODUCERS AND EXPORTERS OF TABLE GRAPES**

I, John Henry Steenhuisen, Minister of Agriculture acting under sections 13 and 19 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

**MR J.H. STEENHUISEN, MP
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE**

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context indicates otherwise –

“Exporter” means a person who trades table grapes for his own account, or acts as an agent on a commission basis or for a fee to export table grapes on behalf of table grape producers;

“SATI” means the South African Table Grape Industry NPC, a non-profit company incorporated in terms of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, whose members are producers who produce table grapes within the borders of South Africa;

“Table grapes” means fresh table grapes;

“Table grape producer” means a producer of table grapes intended for fresh table grape exports; and

“Vines” means vines intended for the production of table grapes.

A person shall register as either a producer or an exporter. A person who is a producer as well as an exporter must register as a producer and as an exporter.

Purpose and aims of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act

2. The purpose and aims of the statutory measure are to compel the parties set out herein to register with SATI. Registration is necessary to assist SATI to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate information relating to table grapes as defined, is available to all relevant role players. Market information is deemed essential for relevant role players in order for them

to make informed decisions. By combining compulsory registration with the keeping of information and the rendering of returns on an individual basis, market information for the whole of the industry can be processed and disseminated and will form the basis for the collection of levies where applicable and appropriate.

The establishment of the measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing and export of table grapes. The viability of the table grape industry should thus be enhanced. The measure will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice.

The measure will be implemented and administered by SATI.

Products to which the statutory measure applies.

3. This statutory measure shall apply to all volumes of table grapes intended for export.

Area in which measure shall apply

4. This measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

Registration of producers and exporters

5. (1) All producers and exporters of table grapes destined for export shall register with SATI, to ensure that vine surveys are done and the volume of grapes destined (intended) for export can be determined.
(2) A person shall register as either a table grape producer or an exporter. A person who is a table grape producer as well as an exporter shall register as a table grape producer and as an exporter.

Application for registration

6. Application for registration by any table grape producer or exporter as indicated in clause five (5) above must:
 - (1) be made within 30 days of the commencement of this statutory measure, and in the case of a person becoming a table grape producer

- or exporter as contemplated in clause 5 after such date of commencement, within 30 days of becoming such a party;
- (2) be made on the application form obtainable free of charge from SATI;
- (3) (a) be submitted, when forwarded by post, to –

SATI
P O Box 2932

PAARL
7620

- (b) when delivered by hand, be delivered to –

SATI
63 Main Street

PAARL
7646

- (c) when sent by E-mail, addressed to –

info@satqi.co.za

Commencement and period of validity

7. This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and will lapse four (4) years later.