

LEVY COLLECTION 2010

Since 2001 the Citrus Growers Association (CGA) has been the administrator of the levy collected to fund research, market access, transformation and information activities in the citrus sector. The National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC) has approved a new statutory levy collection period starting in the 2009 season. The CGA levies for the remainder of the period are as follows:

Period	Levy amount before VAT
2010	2.600 cents per kg. (39 cents per 15kg carton)
2011	2.670 cents per kg. (40 cents per 15kg carton)
2012	2.733 cents per kg. (41 cents per 15kg carton)

The notices of these new levy amounts were published in a special Government *Gazette* dated 1 September 2008

The CGA levy collection procedure for 2010 will be the same as in the 2009 season – summarised below:

- ☺ The levy will be raised on inspection information provided by PPECB. This will mean that the levy is raised either directly with the grower, or at least closer to the initial transaction between grower and first receiver (usually export agent).
- ☺ Invoices will be raised from the CGA offices (not PPECB).
- ☺ In many cases the export agents collect the levy on behalf of CGA, for which we are most grateful.
- ☺ In cases where the customer (as identified by PPECB) has not deducted the levy, they are required by law to supply CGA with the necessary information to be able to collect the levy.
- ☺ Invoices will be raised on a monthly basis. Interest will be charged on unpaid invoices after 30 days. The reason for this is that some export agents only pay across levies at the end of the season, thus sitting with CGA funds for a large part of the year.

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