Safire Crop Protection Co-operative Limited Specialist Orchard Tree Insurance



Safire Crop Protection Co-operative offers comprehensive insurance cover for commercially grown orchard trees.

Perils covered: Fire, storm including windstorm, and hail.

<u>Structure of cover:</u> Cover is provided on a per block basis and not on a per farm basis. The details of each block are listed and form part of the Insurance Schedule. Details needed from the grower are:

- Block number
- Tree type and Variety
- Age in years (as of 1 October each year)
- Area (ha)
- Tree density / ha
- Irrigation or Dry Land
- Expected yield per hectare (if fruit loss is elected)

See the attached example (Orchard Details).

Basis of Cover and Tree Valuation

- 1. **Re-establishment Cost Cover Only** cover is provided for costs associated with establishing an orchard (land prep, seedling and planting costs). Tree valuation is based on items 1, 2 & 3 on the attached Valuation Template;
- 2. **Re-establishment and Input Cost Cover** cover is provided for the costs associated with establishing an orchard and the accumulated annual input costs incurred by the grower is maintaining the orchard. Tree valuation is based on items 1 17 on the attached Valuation Template. The accumulation of annual costs is capped once the orchard's fruit production covers the annual costs. In the attached example the accumulation is capped at year 5.

Claim Calculation

Claims are calculated based on the area damaged and level of damage suffered (e.g.: full or partial damage). E.G.: if 2 hectares of 5 year old Mac trees were damage by fire and the insured value was R125,000 per hectare the gross loss would be R250,000.

In the event of a block suffering less than 100% damage from an insured peril and therefore only requiring remedial action (such as pruning and wound treatment), the additional costs incurred by the grower in applying these remedial activities would be the basis of claim calculation.

Extensions to covered perils

1. malicious damage (excluding chemical damage)

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General extensions

- 1. Debris removal cover. This covers the costs associated with clearing and disposing of damaged trees, i.e.: felling, burning / chipping /removing dead wood. The debris removal cover limit is a lump sum elected by the grower that covers all insured blocks.
- 2. Aerial bombing cover. This covers the used of aerial water bombing costs in the event of a fire threatening insured orchards. The cover limit is R100,000 per event and carries a 25% excess.
- 3. Fruit loss caused by fire only. This covers the annual fruit crop loss as a result of a fire only
- 4. SASRIA. This is an automatic extension and follows the underlying policy terms and conditions.

General Notes

Quotes can be prepared we have received a completed proposal form, orchard schedule and updated valuation sheet from the grower

Each farm requiring cover will be surveyed by a Safire agent to determine the overall risk rating of the farm.

Requirements for all growers (see wording for full warranties)

- Firebreaks, firefighting equipment, staff immediately available to fight fires,
- Up to date membership of the local Fire Protection Association (FPA),
- Adhere to the rules and regulations of the local FPA and Veld and Forest Fire Act.

Requirements for growers in high wind prone areas:

Windbreaks and / or plant staking of young plants

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