



Commodity Levy Requirements for Vegetable Growers

Below is a summary table outlining the current vegetable levies for vegetable growers in New Zealand.

Commercial vegetable growers are required to pay a commodity levy to Horticulture New Zealand regardless of what vegetable(s) are grown. This is used for industry wide activities toward maintenance and development of the New Zealand horticulture industry.

An additional levy is required to be paid to the associated product group for each vegetable crop. These levy funds are used to conduct crop specific activities. Please note, levies are fixed for the financial year upon a vote at each product groups AGM.

TABLE 1 – CURRENT VEGETABLE LEVIES

PRODUCT GROUPS	LEVIES
New Zealand Asparagus Council	Commodity Levy: \$120 per/ha planted
Fresh Vegetables New Zealand	Commodity Levy: Domestic - \$0.30 per \$100 of sale Export - \$0.20 per \$100 of sale
Horticulture New Zealand	Commodity Levy: \$0.14 per \$100 of sale
New Zealand Buttercup Squash Council	Annual grower registration fee: \$230 Export Fee: \$1.75 per tonne Sector fee: 0.225% of sale to exporter
Onions New Zealand	Grower Commodity Levy: \$2.50 per tonne onions Voluntary Exporter Levy: \$1.00 per tonne
Potatoes New Zealand	Commodity Levy: \$0.85 per \$100 of sale
Processed Vegetables New Zealand	Commodity Levy: \$0.80 per \$100 of sale
Tomatoes New Zealand	Commodity Levy: \$0.35 per \$100 of sale

** Values accurate as of 17 May 2019*

Worked Example

A grower growing potatoes, carrots and onions are required to pay levies to Horticulture NZ, Potatoes NZ, Vegetables NZ and Onions NZ separately. See below (table 2).

TABLE 2 – GROWER LEVY CONTRIBUTION PER CROP

CROP	Potatoes	Carrots	Onions
SALES VALUES	\$35,000	\$20,000 (Domestic)	70 tonnes @ \$500 per tonne = \$35,000
LEVY PAYABLE TO			
PotatoesNZ	$(35,000/100) \times 0.85 = \mathbf{\$297.50}$		
Fresh Vegetables NZ		$(20,000/100) \times 0.30 = \mathbf{\$60.00}$	
Onions NZ			$\$2.50 \times 70 = \mathbf{\$175.00}$
HORTICULTURE NZ LEVY	$(35,000/100) \times 0.14 = \mathbf{\$49.00}$	$(20,000/100) \times 0.14 = \mathbf{\$28.00}$	$(35,000/100) \times 0.14 = \mathbf{\$49.00}$

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