



Horticulture Code Assessor Information

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| Business Hours Open all hours | Area of Speciality Fresh Fruit & Vegetables, Cut Flowers & Foliage. Price information and quality & condition Surveying. |
| Brief Bio Outlining Qualifications | |
| <u>Current Employment</u> Managing Director & Senior Surveyor of Sydney Produce Surveyors Pty Ltd. | |
| <u>Qualifications</u> School & Higher School Certificate, at Balgowlah Boys High, NSW to 1971. Agricultural Certificate, Sydney College of Agriculture. (TAFE), completed 1984. AQIS Lead Auditors Certificate, 1990. NATA Lead Auditors Certificate, 1991. Small Business Management Course, NEIS, in 1995. | |
| <u>Employment History</u> From 1972 to 1973 with Geophysical Services International as a Trainee Geophysical Engineer. Mainly general clerical duties. From 1974 to 1994 with NSW Agriculture & Australian Department of Primary Industries. Working in a range of environments as an Agricultural Horticultural Inspector. Rose to the rank of Supervising Inspector, acted as Senior Inspector, NSW and had one year with the Australian Department of Primary Industries as Australian Horticultural Officer, Singapore in 1986. Resigned in 1994 and opened a private consulting business, Control Quality Services Pty Ltd in 1995 based in the Sydney Markets. Changed the Name of the Company in December 2000 from Control Quality Services Pty Ltd. to Sydney Produce Surveyors, following our successful tendering for the Sydney Market Reporting Service from NSW Agriculture. | |
| <u>Current Services</u> The core services provided by our company are generally unaltered since 1995. We provide a daily independent Market Price | |

Report of fresh fruit and vegetable sales, from information collated from a cross section of sellers as well as buyers on the Sydney Markets. We additionally provide an independent Surveying Service of the out turn condition and loss assessment of fresh produce. This service is provided to all sectors of the industry, including Exporters, Importers, Shipping Companies, Airlines, Road Transport Companies, Marine Surveyors, Growers and Packers, Industry Groups, both State and Federal Governments, Retailers, Providers, Agents and Merchants.

We currently have a staff of six and network with comparative companies and services in all Australian state Capitals.

The Principal has a wide range of experience with Mango quality and out-turn problems and has for the past six years been the contract surveyor for the Northern Territory Mango Growers Association for their season. In addition he has performed this duty for the Qld. Mango Industry and during the past two years has supervised the inspection of a range of produce, including Mangoes for the Atherton Tableland Growers.