

# DO YOU OWN A CITRUS TREE?

- Please beware of Huanglongbing (HLB) or Asian Citrus Greening disease
- The disease is spread by the insect vector - Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP), *Diaphorina citri*
- In Africa, the disease is present in Ethiopia and Kenya
- It is currently not present in the Republic of South Africa (RSA), but the risk of introduction is high
- Only buy certified disease-free citrus propagation material, i.e. trees and budwood
- Stop illegal importation of citrus propagation material into RSA to save our citrus
- Also note that prevention of introduction of the vector and the disease is of paramount importance



Asian Citrus Psyllid (Photo by David Hall/Wikimedia Commons)



An orange affected by Asian Citrus Greening (Photo by CRI)



HLB symptomatic sweet orange tree

(Photo by Jinhe Bai, American Society for Horticultural Science)



Classic blotchy mottling caused by Asian Citrus Greening

(Photo by CRI)

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