



# agriculture, forestry & fisheries

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All Cold Stores-Western Cape  
All Importers/Exporters-Western Cape  
Clearing Agents  
Swift, Microchem, Stellenbosch Laboratories

**Closure of National Department Agriculture  
Festive Season: 29 December 2014 to 2 January 2015.**

Circular 13/2012 from NDA Directorate: Human Resources Management with reference 2.2.2.2 refers and is available on request.

The Cape Town State Veterinarian office will be closed from 24 December 2014 at 10h00 am until 2 January 2015 as indicated by the above circular.

**No imported consignments will be inspected, samples drawn and no releases will be done during this period.**

The last samples drawn for testing at the laboratories will be taken on Friday, 19 December 2014 and reports will be due on Monday/Tuesday, 23 December 2014.


**Normal sampling will resume on the 5th of January 2015 and we will start with the testing of samples and report/releases will resume as per normal.**

Visual inspections and releases will be done until 23 December 2014. All importers must therefore make arrangements to ensure that all intended imported consignments are landed with sufficient time for this office to be able to inspect and release of said consignments.

The issuing of removal permits for imported containers will carry on as normal and usual procedures for the issuing of removal permits will be in effect. Please also make sure that products detained for State Veterinarians cancellations should be done before 12h00 during the period 24/12/2014 to 31/12/2014, as there will only be skeleton staff on duty and no one in the office after 12h30.

This office will be closed on the 2nd of January 2015 with no skeleton staff on duty.

Kind Regards.

  
**DR. N.F. NAUDE**  
**STATE VETERINARIAN**  
**IMPORT/EXPORT CONTROL**  
**CAPE TOWN**

