



Kenyan bans avocado exports from 15th November

The horticulture regulator has slapped a ban on export of Kenya's popular avocado varieties to curb harvesting of immature crop by hungry farmers and dealers.

Head of Horticulture Directorate Benjamin Tito says the move on Fuerte and Hass varieties, will be effected on November 15 with exceptions given to exporters who have the jumbo type and those having off season crop.

"The closing of Hass and Fuerte harvesting season for the 2021/2022 fiscal year shall be effected on November 15 to protect our overseas market from immature crop," Mr Tito told <https://allafrica.com>

Mr Tito said exporters with the jumbo variety will only do it by air and not sea with the size expected to be at least 184 grammes for a single fruit.

Dealers and companies with off-season crop shall request verification for inspection from HCD regional offices in writing within 24 hours as from Friday next week.

The review on when the ban will be lifted will be conducted on January 15 next year to ascertain the status of the crop.

The move follows rampant cases of traders picking immature fruit to capitalise on high prices of the commodity in the global markets.

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