

Freshcare Crop List

The Freshcare Crop List outlines the scope of certification for the Freshcare Standards, including crops/produce and business activities. The Freshcare Crop List provides a reference guide for participating Freshcare businesses, stakeholders and customers to verify the scope of certification on Freshcare Certificates.

This list is managed by Freshcare with updates communicated to stakeholders and made available on the Freshcare website www.freshcare.com.au/resources/freshcare-crop-list.

Any questions related to the Freshcare Crop List should be directed to Freshcare info@freshcare.com.au.

Freshcare Certification

Freshcare certification covers businesses involved in primary production activities. This includes the growing, receipt, preparation and handling (including any treatment), packing, storage, ripening, fumigation, wholesaling, brokerage, transport and distribution of fresh produce and products.

Freshcare Standards

Freshcare Standard	Code	Scope	Notes
Food Safety & Quality	FSQ	Grower Grower & Packer	Packer only will require moving to the Supply Chain Standard.
Supply Chain - Food Safety & Quality	SCS	Packer Storage Ripener Fumigation Transporter Wholesaler Broker/ Agent Providore Marketing Group	Packer includes packing, pre-pack and re-pack activities. Broker/ Agent includes virtual brokers.
Environmental	ENV	Grower Packer Wild Harvest	Wild Harvest is applicable to the Flowers and Foliage scope category only.
Sustainability – Viticulture	AWISSP-VIT or ENV-VIT	Grower	Applicable to wine grape production only.
Sustainability – Winery	AWISSP-WIN or ENV-WIN	Winery Wine Business	Applicable to wine production only. Includes Wine Businesses that sell wine under their own label, but do not own a winery.

Scope: Activities

Scope Activity	Notes
Broker (Agent)	Includes businesses involved in facilitating trade of product between a supplier and a customer. Freshcare defines 'brokers' to also include agents, virtual brokers and marketing groups.
Grower	Includes businesses involved in production and harvest of a crop, pre-farm gate.
Grower & Packer	Includes growing and packing of whole products pre-farm gate, can include consignment packing of the same crops grown. Packing operations location is in accordance with the program rules.
Marketing Group	Includes businesses involved in facilitating the marketing and trade of fresh produce between a supplier and a customer.

Packer	Includes businesses involved in receiving, handling, packing and re-packing of fresh produce.
Provedore	Includes businesses involved in the procurement of fresh produce for distribution or resale to the food service industry.
Ripening (Ripener)	Includes businesses involved in controlled atmosphere ripening of fresh produce.
Fumigation (Fumigator)	Includes businesses involved in fumigation of produce to address a specific hazard.
Storage	Includes businesses involved in the retention, storage (including controlled atmosphere storage) and warehousing of product.
Transport & Distribution	Includes businesses involved in the collection, transport and distribution of fresh produce. Transportation and distribution includes the direct transfer of products from one business, vehicle or container to another; undertaken via road, rail, air or ship.
Wholesaling (Wholesaler)	Includes businesses involved in the procurement, handling and wholesale sale of fresh produce.
Wild Harvest	Includes businesses that undertake sustainable wild harvesting of flowers and foliage not intended for consumption as food.
Winery	Includes businesses involved in the production of wine.

Scope: Categories

Category	Notes
Fresh Produce	Fresh produce supplied to the fresh market.
Fresh Produce for Processing	Fresh produce supplied to the processing sector. Does not include further processes such as freezing, drying, pickling, canning, cook-chill, juicing, slicing/shredding/coring, etc.
Coffee	Coffee crop only. Does not include further processes such as drying, roasting, etc.
Flowers and Foliage	Flowers and foliage destined for the fresh market. Includes edible flowers.
Fodder Crops	Fodder crops destined for use as animal feed.
Hydroponic	Includes the cultivation of plants in nutrient-enriched water, with or without the mechanical support of an inert medium such as sand, gravel or perlite, this also includes any substrate growing medium such as coir substrate.
Nut In Shell	Nuts supplied as nut in shell. Does not include further processes such as shelling, cracking, etc.
Olives	Olive crop only. Does not include further processes such as brining or the production of olive oil.
Protected Cropping	The production of horticultural crops within, under or sheltered by structures to provide modified growing conditions and/or protection from pests, diseases and adverse weather. Also referred to as greenhouse horticulture.
Reef Assured	Queensland Reef Protection Regulations compliance for Environmental Certification. Currently applicable to Banana Cultivation at February 2021.
Seedlings	For the production of seedlings.
Spices	Spice crop (fresh plant material) only. Does not include further processes such as drying, crushing, etc.
Tea	Tea crop only. Does not include further processes such as drying.
Wine Grapes	Wine grapes category is applicable to Freshcare Environmental or AWISSP Viticulture and Freshcare Environmental or AWISSP Winery Standards only.

The corresponding scope 'Category' on Freshcare Certificates must be selected in accordance with the Freshcare Crop List, e.g. if Saffron is added, then Spices is also selected as a Category.

Exclusions to Scope:

- **Fruit and Vegetables**

Products of the following nature are **NOT** covered under the scope of Freshcare certification. This is not an extensive list however, and if you are unsure, then please contact Freshcare or your Certification Body for assistance.

- Prepared and Packed as Ready to Cook (corn cobbles, diced vegetables, cauliflower rice, zucchini shreds etc) and there is no further consumer preparation apart from cooking.
- Semi processed vegetables – such as peeled onions, celery sticks, sliced mushrooms.
- Any bagged salad/ mixed greens, cut fruit and vegetables (apple slices, carrot sticks, melons) product where the consumer could reasonably expect that it is ready to eat.

• **Dried Fruit**

The scope of Freshcare certification covers the production of fresh produce and does not include further activities involved in the production of dried fruit.

Businesses that produce Currants, Raisins and Sultanias may list Table Grapes; those producing Prunes may list Plums.

• **Sprouts**

Freshcare does not cover the production of Sprouts with the exception of Snow Pea Sprouts grown in soil/growing medium and supplied to market as young pea shoots. Snow Pea Sprouts are covered under Microgreens.

See Category: *Fresh Produce, Fresh Produce for Processing > Other > Microgreens*.

Scope: Crop/Produce

Crop/Produce	Notes
Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce as they appear on Freshcare FSQ-SC Certificates.
Crop/Produce	Crop/Produce as they appear on Freshcare FSQ, ENV, ENV-VIT/AWISSP-VIT, ENV-WIN/AWISSP-WIN Certificates.

Crop Groups

Please note that individual crops should still be recorded in the documents and records used to demonstrate compliance to the Freshcare Standards. Audit reports should also list individual crops against the scope of the business.

Crop Groups on Freshcare FSQ and ENV Certificates

Where a Freshcare certified business have many produce lines within these groups, they may choose to have an over-arching crop group on their certificate rather than listing each individual crop. For instance, herb growers who produce many produce lines may choose to have Herbs - Hard Leaf and Herbs - Soft Leaf listed on their Freshcare Certificate rather than each produce line.

There are four Crop Groups in the 'Crop/Produce' column. This includes Asian Vegetables - Leafy, Asian Vegetables - Melons, Herbs - Hard Leaf and Herbs - Soft Leaf.

'Other' Crop Labels

There are a number of crops listed as 'Other' e.g. Berries - Other. This includes Berries, Citrus, Exotic Fruit, Melons and Stone Fruit. This label is for crops that are not already listed individually in the corresponding Crop/Produce Group. These crops will appear on Freshcare Certificates as *Crop - Other*. Examples of what these may include have been added to the Notes column.

'Baby' Lines

Baby lines are not listed individually in the Crop List unless the crop poses a different food safety risk to its full-sized equivalent. 'Baby' crops should be listed as its full-sized equivalent.

Microgreens

Microgreens refer to young plants grown in a soil/growing medium. This includes those harvested after sprouting as shoots as well live plants in a soil/growing medium.

See *Category: Fresh Produce, Fresh Produce for Processing > Other > Microgreens*.

Adding scope to current Freshcare Certification

Between recertification audits, changes to the scope of Freshcare certification including categories, crops/produce groups and sites will be reviewed by the Certification Body using a risk-based approach to determine if there is a need for a scope extension audit. *This can be conducted either on site or remote (as per R3) at the discretion of the Certification Body.*

Please refer to the Freshcare Rules for further information.

Freshcare Crop List

Crops are set out under the following tables as:

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Crop/Produce as they appear on Freshcare FSQ-SC Certificates.	Crop/Produce as they appear on Freshcare FSQ, ENV, ENV-VIT/AWISSP-VIT and ENV-WIN/AWISSP-WIN Certificates.	Notes relating to the Crop/Produce. May offer alternative names for crops or provide guidance for its use.

Category: Fresh Produce, Fresh Produce for Processing

Fresh Produce - Fresh produce supplied to the fresh market.

Fresh Produce for Processing - Fresh produce supplied to the processing sector. Does not include further processes such as freezing, drying, pickling, canning, cook-chill, juicing, slicing/shredding/coring, etc.

FRUIT

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Avocados	Avocados	
Banana	Banana Plantain	
Berries	Blackberries Blackcurrants Blueberries Boysenberries Cranberries Gooseberries Mulberries Raspberries Redcurrants Strawberries	Berries - Other includes, but is not limited to: Goji Berries Youngberries

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Citrus	Berries - Other	
	Cumquat	Citrus - Other includes, but is not limited to: Buddha's Hand Tangor
	Finger Limes	
	Grapefruit	
	Lemons	
	Limes	
	Mandarins	
	Oranges	
	Pomelos	
	Tangelos	
	Citrus - Other	
Exotic Fruit	Achacha	Papaya refers to both Red Papaya and Yellow Papaw
	Coconut	
	Custard Apple	Exotic Fruit - Other includes, but is not limited to: Abiu Babaco Breadfruit Cempedak Loquat Monstera (from Fruit Salad Plant) Pepino Rosella Sapodilla Star Apple
	Dates	
	Dragon Fruit	
	Durian	
	Feijoa	
	Figs	
	Guava	
	Jackfruit	
	Jujube	
	Kiwiberry	
	Kiwifruit	
	Longan	
	Lychee	
	Mangoes	
	Mangosteen	
	Papaya	
	Passionfruit	
	Persimmon	
	Pineapple	
	Pomegranate	
	Prickly Pear	
	Rambutan	
	Sapote	
	Soursop	
	Star Fruit	
	Tamarillo	
	Tamarind	
	Exotic Fruit - Other	
Grapes	Table Grapes	Wine grapes- refer wine grapes category
	Wine Grapes	
Melons	Honeydew	Melons - Other includes, but is not limited to: Piel de Sapo (also known as Christmas Melon) Kiwano (also known as Horned Melon)
	Rockmelon	
	Watermelon	

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Pome Fruit	Melons - Other	For Asian Melons see <i>Vegetables > Asian Vegetables - Melons</i>
	Apples	
	Nashi Pear	
	Pears	
Stone Fruit	Quince	
	Apricots	Stone Fruit - Other includes, but is not limited to Plumcot Pluots
	Cherries	
	Nectarines	
	Peaches	
	Plums	
	Stone Fruit - Other	

VEGETABLES

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Asian Vegetables - Leafy	Asian Vegetables - Leafy	<p><i>Businesses with multiple produce lines in this group may choose to list crop group Asian Vegetables - Leafy, or each crop individually for the scope of their Freshcare Certification.</i></p> <p>En Choy is also known as Amaranthus or Chinese Spinach Gai Choy is also known as Chinese Mustard Gai Lan is also known as Chinese Broccoli</p> <p>For Chinese Cabbage (also known as Wombok) see <i>Brassica Vegetables</i></p>
	Bok Choy	
	Choy Sum	
	En Choy	
	Gai Choy	
	Gai Lan	
	Kang Kong	
	Kun Choy	
	Pak Choy	
Asian Vegetables - Melons	Asian Vegetables - Melons	<p><i>Businesses with multiple produce lines in this group may choose to list crop group Asian Vegetables - Melons, or each crop individually for the scope of their Freshcare Certification.</i></p> <p>Chi Qua is also known as Hairy Melon Dong Qua is also known as Winter Melon Fu Qua is also known as Bitter Melon Seng Qua is also known as Long Melon Shui Qua is also known as Sponge Luffa Sin Qua is also known as Chinese Okra or Silk Gourd</p>
	Chi Qua	
	Dong Qua	
	Fu Qua	
	Seng Qua	
	Shui Qua	
	Sin Qua	
Brassica Vegetables	Broccoli	<p>Broccoli – Sprouting also refers to Baby Broccoli and Broccolini Cauliflower also refers to Broccoflower Cauliflower - Sprouting also refers to Caulilini Chinese Cabbage is also known as Wombok Romanesco is also known as Roman cauliflower, Broccolo Romanesco, Romanesque cauliflower</p>
	Broccoli – Sprouting	
	Brussell Sprouts	
	Cabbage	
	Cabbage - Chinese	
	Cauliflower	
	Cauliflower – Sprouting	

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
	Collards Kale Sprouts Kohlrabi Romanesco broccoli	

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Bulb Vegetables	Eschallots	
	Fennel	
	Garlic	
	Leek	
	Onions	
	Shallots	
	Spring Onion	
Fruiting Vegetables	Cape Gooseberry	<p>Cape Gooseberry is also known as the Peruvian Groundcherry</p> <p>Tomatillo is also known as the Mexican Husk Tomato</p> <p>Tomberry is the trademarked name for a super small cultivar of tomato.</p> <p>For Melons see <i>Fruit > Melons</i></p>
	Capsicum	
	Chillies	
	Chokos	
	Corn	
	Corn - Baby	
	Cucamelons	
	Cucumber	
	Eggplant	
	Gem Squash	
	Gherkin	
	Okra	
	Pumpkins	
	Squash	
	Tomatillo	
	Tomatoes	
	Zucchini	
	Zucchini Flowers	
Leafy Vegetables	Amaranthus	<p>Beet Leaves also refers to Beetroot Leaves</p> <p>Broccoli Rabe is also known as Rapini</p> <p>Silverbeet also refers to Chard</p>
	Beet Leaves	
	Broccoli Rabe	
	Chard	
	Chicory Leaves	
	Cress	
	Endive	
	Kale	
	Lettuce - Cos	
	Lettuce - Fancy	
	Lettuce - Iceberg	
	Mache	
	Mizuna	
	Mustard Greens	
	Radicchio	
	Rocket	
	Silverbeet	
	Spinach	
	Spinach - Baby	
	Tatsoi	
	Watercress	

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Legumes	Beans	Beans includes, but is not limited to: Berlotti Beans, Broad Beans, Butter Beans, Runner Beans, Winged Bean (also known as Goa Bean) Peas encompass edible-podded peas and peas for shelling. This includes, but is not limited to: Green Peas, Snow Peas, Sugar Snap Peas
	Peanuts	
	Peas	
	Soybeans	
	Carob	
Root and Tuber Vegetables	Beetroot	Beetroot is also known as Beets White Radish is also known as Chinese Radish or Daikon
	Carrots	
	Cassava	
	Celeriac	
	Chicory Root	
	Galangal	
	Ginger	
	Horseradish	
	Jerusalem Artichoke	
	Lotus Root	
	Parsnip	
	Potatoes	
	Radish	
	Radish - White	
	Salsify	
	Sugarbeet	
	Swedes	
	Sweet Potatoes	
	Taro	
	Turnip	
	Water Chestnut	
	Yam	
Stalk and Stem Vegetables	Artichoke	Celery Heart refers to product that has not been further processed and requires washing prior to consumption.
	Asparagus	
	Bamboo Shoots	
	Celery	
	Celery Heart	
	Rhubarb	

HERBS

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Herbs - Hard Leaf	Herbs - Hard Leaf	<i>Businesses with multiple produce lines in this group may choose to list crop group Herbs - Hard Leaf, or each crop individually for the scope of their Freshcare Certification.</i>
	Bay Leaf	
	Curry Leaves	
	Kaffir Lime Leaves	
	Lemon Grass	
	Rosemary	
	Sage	

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Herbs - Soft Leaf	Savory	
	Thyme	
Herbs - Soft Leaf	Herbs - Soft Leaf	<i>Businesses with multiple produce lines in this group may choose to list crop group Herbs - Soft Leaf, or each crop individually for the scope of their Freshcare Certification.</i>
	Basil	
	Chervil	
	Chives	
	Chives - Garlic	<i>Sisho – also known as Perilla or “Beefsteak” plant</i>
	Coriander	
	Dill	
	Fenugreek	
	Marjoram	
	Mint	
	Mint - Vietnamese	
	Oregano	
	Parsley	
	Parsley - Continental	
	Sorrel	
	Tarragon	
	Shiso	
	Wasabi Rocket	
Herbs - Potted	Herbs - Potted	Herbs - Potted refers to live plants in a soil/growing medium.

MUSHROOMS

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Mushrooms	Mushrooms	
	Mushrooms - Exotic	

PULSES

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Pulses	Azuki Beans	
	Chickpeas	
	Broad Beans	
	Field Peas	
	Lentils	
	Lupin	
	Mungbeans	

SEED AND OILSEED

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Seed and Oilseed	Buckwheat	
	Chia Seed	

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
	Hemp Seed Millet Seed Quinoa	

OTHER

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Arrowroot	Arrowroot	Arrowroot refers to the <i>Canna edulis</i> tuber and is also known as Queensland Arrowroot
Bushfood	Bushfood - Flower Bushfood - Fruit Bushfood – Leaf Bushfood - Seed	Bushfood - Flower includes, but is not limited to: Rosella Bushfood - Fruit includes, but is not limited to: Davidson Plum, Quandong, Kakadu Plum Bushfood - Leaf includes, but is not limited to: Lemon Myrtle, Anise Myrtle, Saltbush Bushfood – Seed includes but is not limited to: wattle seed, mountain pepper
Microgreens	Microgreens Microgreens - Potted	Microgreens refer to young plants grown in a soil/growing medium and harvested after sprouting as shoots. This includes, but is not limited to: Wheatgrass, Snow Pea Sprouts and Tendrils, Vegetables Microgreens - Potted refer to live plants in a soil/growing medium.
Stevia	Stevia	Stevia refers to the <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> plant
Sugarcane	Sugarcane	
Truffle	Truffle	

Category: Coffee

Coffee crop only. Does not include further processes such as drying, roasting, etc.

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Coffee	Coffee	

Category: Flowers and Foliage

Flowers and foliage destined for the fresh market. Includes edible flowers.

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Cut Flowers and Foliage	Flowers - Australian Native Flowers - Orchids Flowers - Traditional Flowers - Tropical Foliage - Australian Native Foliage - Traditional Wild Flowers	Wild Flowers includes, but is not limited to: Australian Native and South African species
Edible Flowers and Foliage	Edible Flowers Edible Foliage	Edible Flowers includes, but is not limited to:

		Borage, Carnations, Cornflower, Calendula, Dandelions, Dianthus, Fuschia, Geranium, Lavender, Marigold, Nasturtium, Pelargonium, Snapdragons, Pansies, Rose (petals), Viola. Edible Foliage includes but is not limited to: Pandanus Leaf For Zucchini Flowers see <i>Vegetables > Fruiting Vegetables</i>
Potted Flowers	Potted Flowers	Potted Flowers includes, but is not limited to: Potted colours and Plants in pots already flowering.
Tea Tree	Tea Tree	

Category: Fodder Crops

Fodder crops destined for use as animal feed.

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Fodder Crops	Fodder Crops	Fodder Crops includes, but is not limited to: Maize (also known as Corn)

Category: Nut in Shell

Nuts supplied as nut in shell (de-husked). Does not include further processes such as shelling, cracking, etc.

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Nut in Shell	Almonds Cashew Nuts Chestnuts Hazelnuts Macadamia Nuts Pecans Pine Nuts Pistachios Walnuts	

Category: Olives

Olive crop only. Does not include further processes such as brining or the production of olive oil.

Crop/Produce Group	Crop/Produce	Notes
Olives	Olives	

Category: Reef Assured

Queensland Reef Protection Regulations compliance for Environmental Certification. Currently applicable to Banana Cultivation at February 2021.

Category: Seedlings

For the production of seedlings.

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Seed Potatoes	Seed Potatoes	
Seedlings	Seedlings	Seedlings includes, but is not limited to: Plug seedlings e.g. for hydroponic lettuce, broccoli
	Seedlings – Potted	Seedlings - Potted refers to live plants in a soil/growing medium that can bear fruit or other edible shoots for consumer use. Where it is Herbs – Herbs potted is to be used, and Microgreen- Microgreens – Potted is to be used.

Category: Spices

Spice crop (fresh plant material) only. Does not include further processes such as drying, crushing, etc.

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Spices	Nutmeg Saffron Turmeric Vanilla Bean	

Category: Tea

Tea crop only. Does not include further processes such as drying.

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Tea	Tea	

Category: Wine Grapes

Category: Wine Grapes is applicable only to Freshcare Environmental/ Sustainability Viticulture and Winery memberships.

<i>Crop/Produce Group</i>	<i>Crop/Produce</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Wine Grapes	Wine Grapes	

Track Changes

Date	Change
29 March 2021	<p>Freshcare Standards: Inclusion of AWISSP Programs to Environmental/ Sustainability, and where else applies through document.</p> <p>Environmental – Viticulture ENV-VIT Now refer to Freshcare AWISSP – VIT1 Standard as well</p> <p>Environmental – Winery ENV-WIN Now refer to Freshcare AWISSP – WIN1 Standard as well</p> <p>(New) Exclusion of Scope: Inclusion of a note of the scopes of product/processing that are not covered by Freshcare Certification.</p> <p>Scope: Activities – Fumigation added.</p> <p>Crops:</p> <p>Bushfood: Bushfood Fruit – Notes include reference to Kakadu Plum Bushfood Seed – inclusion: wattle seed, mountain pepper Edible Flowers - Renamed Edible Flowers and Foliage; added Edible Foliage and Pandanas Leaf as an example. Herbs – Soft Leaf – added Wasabi rocket Microgreens – reference to Alfalfa sprouts removed – as this is an excluded crop, added Snow pea tendrils. Legumes - inclusion of Carob. Seedlings - Inclusion of Seedlings – Potted</p> <p>Reef Assured: added category to allow certification against Environment for the Queensland Reef Protection regulations (<i>Queensland Environmental Protection Act 1994</i>).</p>
18 February 2022	<p>Freshcare Certification & Standards: Aligned scopes with standards</p> <p>Freshcare: Activities: Aligned terminology with standards.</p> <p>Crops:</p> <p>Truffle – Truffle Brassica Vegetables – Note added Cauliflower - Sprouting also refers to Caulilini Fruiting Vegetables – Note added Tomberry Tomato is the trademarked name for a super small cultivar of tomato. Leafy Vegetables - Chard</p>
17 April 2023	<p>Freshcare Standards: added Grower and Packer to FSQ standard with notes regarding packer only.</p> <p>Scope: Activities: Added Grower and Packer</p> <p>Scope: Categories: Added Scope categories hydroponic and protected cropping</p> <p>Exclusions to Scope: Updated details</p>