

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT, 1990 (ACT No. 119 OF 1990)

INVITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED INSPECTION FEES FOR 2026 BY THE DESIGNATED ASSIGNEE, FOOD SAFETY AGENCY (PTY) LTD

The Executive Officer: Agricultural Product Standards hereby invites comments on the proposed inspection fees in terms of section 3 of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act no. 119 of 1990), as amended. The proposed inspection fees are derived from the business plan and budget, which can be accessed on the Department's website, thus enabling stakeholders to make informed comments or representations to the Executive Officer.

The proposed inspection fees for 2026 by **Food Safety Agency (Pty) Ltd** are as follows:

Category of fees	Current Gazetted Fees	Proposed Fees for 2026 (Inflationary increase of 6%)
Inspection fees:		
Normal time (08:00 – 16:00)	R510.00 per hour	R540.60 per hour
Normal overtime (Mon - Sat)	R567.00 per hour	R601.02 per hour
Sundays and public holidays	R680.00 per hour	R720.80 per hour
Kilometre rate	R6.50 per kilometre	R6.50 per kilometre
Sampling fees:		
Protein content (Meat content)	R503.00 per sample	R533.18 per sample
Fat content	R826.00 per sample	R875.56 per sample
Soya content	R1 665.00 per sample	R1 764.90 per sample
Starch content	R1 472.00 per sample	R1 560.32 per sample
Calcium determination (MRM only)	R379.00 per sample	R401.74 per sample
Meat species identification (DNA)	R2 605.00 per sample	R2 761.30 per sample
Physical test (Coated products)	R200.00 per sample	R212.00 per sample

Comments and representations must be submitted within **30 days** from the date of publication of this Notice to the following address:

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