



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
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TOGETHER WE CAN STOP THE SPREAD OF TROPICAL RACE 4 (TR4)

TR4 GLOBAL NETWORK
- an initiative of the World Banana Forum -

ATTENTION BANANA GROWERS!

INFORM farm workers about TR4 and symptoms of the disease it causes

EXPLAIN to farm workers how TR4 can spread and how to prevent it

CONTROL the entry of people, vehicles, tools, soil or plant material into your farm

APPLY FARM ZONING: exclusion zone, separation zone, farming zone,
with boot change stations and footbaths between each zone

PROVIDE new rubber boots to visitors who need to enter your farm

CLEAN and disinfect shoes, boots, vehicles and tools

BUILD a fence around the farm to allow entry to workers and visitors only through the authorized gate
and avoid the movement of animals inside the farm

**USING A BRUSH,
WATER AND
DETERGENT, ALL
SURFACES MUST BE
SCRUBBED WITH
HIGH PRESSURE
WATER SO THEY ARE
FREE OF SOIL AND
PLANT MATERIAL.**

*Most industrial and
domestic brands
of soaps, detergents
and degreasers will
work well.*

**IMMEDIATELY DISINFECT
THE ITEM WITH A DISINFECTANT
CONTAINING QUATERNARY
AMMONIUM COMPOUND.**

*Always follow the directions of your
National Plant Protection Organization
regarding the use of disinfectants.*

**ALL SURFACES MUST BE RINSED WITH CLEAN WATER
BEFORE THE USE OF DISINFECTANT PRODUCTS.**

**COME CLEAN,
GO CLEAN:
DISINFECT ENTERING
AND LEAVING!
THE FARM MAY BE
INFECTED UNNOTICED!**

*Install footbaths and
baths for vehicles
with disinfectants.*

**MAKE A NOTE
FOR YOUR RECORDS.**

*Carry out a final check to be sure all areas
have been scrubbed, rinsed and disinfected.*

REMEMBER, NEVER ENTER A BANANA FARM WITHOUT PERMISSION!

ATTENTION FARM VISITORS!

CALL the grower before you arrive and ask if TR4 is present on the farm

TELL the grower what you plan to do at the farm, and never enter restricted areas

FOLLOW FARM RULES: Where should your vehicle be parked?
On which roads can you drive? Does the farm provide boots, or do you bring your own?

DON'T  **BRING IN SOIL**

ONLY TAKE WITH YOU WHAT IS NECESSARY AND HAVE
YOUR FOOTWEAR INSPECTED BY FARM OWNERS

DON'T  **CARRY OUT SOIL**

EVERYTHING YOU HAVE USED ON THE FARM MUST BE CLEANED OF SOIL AND PLANT MATERIAL

ATTENTION INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS!

WHEN TRAVELLING BY AIRPLANE OR EVEN BY CAR ACROSS NATIONAL BORDERS,
TO OR FROM BANANA-PRODUCING COUNTRIES:

DO NOT  **BRING**

ANY SOIL OR AGRICULTURAL OR PLANTING MATERIAL ACROSS NATIONAL
BORDERS **WITHOUT THE REQUIRED PERMITS**

HANDMADE ITEMS **MADE FROM BANANA** MATERIAL

CLOTHING OR SHOES WORN ON VISITS
TO OTHER BANANA PRODUCING AREAS



DECLARE ALL AGRICULTURAL ITEMS

REPORT ANY SUSPECTED SYMPTOMS CONSISTENT WITH TR4
TO THE NATIONAL PLANT PROTECTION ORGANIZATION (NPPO)

FOLLOW ALL PREVENTION AND CONTROL RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM YOUR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES

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