

REGULATED AVOCADO PESTS



The Avocado branch weevil borer (Copturus aguacatae) causes premature loss of the leaves, dry branches and fracture of the affected branch.

The Small avocado seed weevil (Conotrachelus aguacatae and C. perseae) pierces the fruit until it reaches the seed.

- The Large avocado seed weevil (Heilipus lauri), attacks throughout the whole development cycle of the fruit. It bores the fleshy part (pulp) of the fruit to reach the seed, where it completes its development. Adults feed mainly on fruits, but also on tender branches and flowers.
 - The Avocado seed-feeding moth (Stenoma catenifer), bores the pulp of the fruit in order to reach the seed. Its damages are distinguished by the presence of white spots of limestone appearance on the outside of the fruits and by their premature fall.

Prevention and control measures

- Eliminate and destroy infested and fallen fruits to prevent larvae from developing further.
- Prune and incinerate the affected branches to eliminate eggs, larvae and pupae that could disperse in surrounding orchards.
- Control pests with products authorized by the Federal Commission for Health Risk Protection (Cofepris). Monitor and inspect the fruits in your garden or farm, before and during the harvest to mitigate the risk of dispersal of pests.
- Avoid mobilizing fruits infested with larvae.









NOTIFY any suspicious cases at: 01 800 987 98 79

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