



# COUNTY OF NEWELL - POLICY HANDBOOK

**POLICY NO:** 2016-PAG-023

<b>TITLE:</b> BACTERIAL RINGROT - INSPECTION & CONTROL	
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## **POLICY PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for Bacterial Ringrot (BRR) inspections and control.

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## **POLICY GUIDELINES:**

Yearly inspections for Bacterial Ringrot (BRR) in potatoes will be completed in conjunction with the Potato Growers Association (PGA).

Upon receipt of field locations from PGA the Director of Agricultural Services or his designate will inspect the fields.

Landowners will be notified prior to entry into the fields.

Proper sanitation methods will be used to prevent disease spread from one field to another.

If BRR is found to be present in any of the fields, control measures will be implemented as specified in the Agricultural Pests Act.

To aid farmers in prevention and/or control of BRR the Agricultural Services Department will provide disinfection services for potato growers within the County of Newell at rates specified in the Schedule of Fees bylaw.

General disinfectant will be provided by the Agricultural Services Department on a cost recovery basis or may be supplied by the farmer.