

**PEST FREE AREA OF MINAS GERAIS STATE**  
*Micosphaerella fijiensis*

Communication from Brazil

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1. The Secretariat of Animal and Plant Health of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply – SDA/MAPA issued Normative Instruction N° 11 on 30 March 2005, published in the "Diário Oficial da União" (Federal Official Journal) on 1 April 2005, to include 45 cities in the "Sigatoka Negra" (*Micosphaerella fijiensis*) Pest Free Area, the Minas Gerais State, which was established by the Normative Instruction N° 71/04. The validity of this recognition should be of one year from the date of its publication in the Federal Official Journal.

2. The text may be downloaded from the following Internet site:

<http://oc4j.agricultura.gov.br/agrolegis/do/consultaLei?op=viewTextual&codigo=11565> (available only in Portuguese, one single page).

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