

- 10 Qualifying Costs:
- \* Costs which directly relate to the investigation may qualify. These include: fees of professional advisors hired for the investigation; tolls, fax and postage costs; power which is separately metered; cost of hiring or leasing of plant and equipment; pilot plant costs, trial planting costs.
- \* Travel costs qualify, but only up to a maximum of \$10,000, thereby giving a maximum grant component of \$5,000.
- \* Both domestic and overseas travel costs qualify but overseas travel is only available for proposals which involve the possibility of technology transfer to New Zealand
- \* Patent search fees and provisional patents only qualify.
- 11 Costs Which Do Not Qualify:
- Examples of ineligible costs are applicant's own salary/wages, those of existing employees, and those of subsidiary/associate companies and immediate family members; debt servicing; capital items not directly associated with the investigation; cost of obtaining planning permits, and required licences.
- 12 Residual Value - Applicable only to items which are larger scale than necessary for an investigation; value determined is based on market value of items at the conclusion of the investigation.
- 13 Maximum benchmarks for horticultural and livestock investigations apply; these are:

<u>Horticultural Crop:</u>	<u>Trial area:</u>
Herbs	0.1 hectare
Essential oils	1.0 hectare
Bulbs	0.1 hectare
Flowers	0.1 hectare
Avocados	0.5 hectare
Cherries	0.5 hectare
Tree fruits (stone and pip)	0.5 hectare
Nashi	0.5 hectare
Grapes	0.5 hectare
Sub-tropicals (kiwifruit/tamarillo)	0.4 hectare
Fuelwood	0.5 hectare
Vegetables - field	0.2-0.4 hectare
Vegetables - glasshouse	100 sq metres
Nuts	1 hectare
Berries	0.2 hectare

Livestock : Technical feasibility:

Involves investigating species of breeds that are new to New Zealand or a region:

	Number of Animals
<u>Maternal Traits and Reproductive Performance</u>	
As a pure species or breed evaluation	50-200
As a crossbreeding programme	2-3 sires
As semen	1.5
<u>Productive Traits (Growth, milk, fibre, pelts)</u>	
As a pure species or breed evaluation	20-30
As a crossbreeding programme	2-3
As semen	1.5
<u>Embryo Transfer/Semen Collection</u>	
Embryo transfer evaluation	10-20
Semen collection, mating techniques	10-20

Commercial Feasibility:

Involves testing through the processing and manufacturing stages, through to market feasibility studies.

Product	Number of Animals
Carcass evaluation	20
Pelt evaluation	30
Milk production:	20-30 litres
- Cows	10
- Water buffalo	15
- Sheep	50-75
- Goats	30
<u>Fibre: Craft market</u>	
- Sheep	6
- Alpaca	10
- Goats: Mohair	12
- Goats: Cashmere	25
- Rabbits: Angora	25