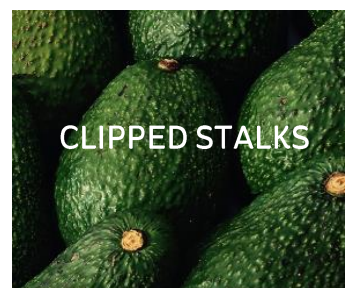




AVOCADO THEFT ALERT!!!

Avocados with long stalks or no stalk may be
STOLEN



Avocado theft is a crime

Offenders can be charged with burglary, with a maximum penalty of **10 years imprisonment**.

If a shop owner knowingly has purchased stolen avocados, they can be charged with receiving stolen property, with a maximum **imprisonment of 7 years**.

What to do

If someone tries to sell you avocados with a very long stalk, or a hole where the stalk should be ask for:

- The PPIN number of the avocado orchard. This is a 4 or 5 digit number that all commercial avocado orchards will have.
- Photo identification and contact phone number
- Vehicle registration number of the supplier.

If theft is suspected, call **NZ Police on 111**.



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