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Dear Owner/Manager,

A concerned local has delivered this letter to you because they have noticed that you stock fruit-tree netting that poses a danger to native wildlife.

**As of September 2021, it became illegal to sell or use netting on domestic fruit trees unless it has holes no bigger than 5mm by 5mm fully stretched.**

A net that you can poke a finger through is not safe for wildlife as they easily become entangled and trapped in it. Most birds and animals (including the threatened grey-headed flying fox) trapped in these nets will need to be euthanised as their injuries can be very severe. Animals that survive can take weeks or months of costly rehabilitation before they can be released back into the wild.

We are a small charity depending on volunteers to rescue sick, injured and orphaned wildlife. You can help us by removing this unsafe net from sale and replacing it with wildlife-safe netting.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions about wildlife-safe netting, please call Wildlife Victoria Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm on 03 9445 0310 or email [office@wildlifelifevictoria.org.au](mailto:office@wildlifelifevictoria.org.au)

Regards,

The Wildlife Victoria Team