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## **Stock (Seller Liability and Declarations) Act 1993**

### NOTICE SPECIFYING FORMS OF DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 18A

I, Richard Bolt, Secretary to the Department of Primary Industries, under section 18A of the **Stock (Seller Liability and Declarations) Act 1993** (the Act), –

1. specify that a declaration made by, or on behalf of, a seller of stock that relates to the treatment, feed, husbandry, pasturing or health status of that stock that is in or is to the like effect of the forms appearing in the Schedule below is a declaration to which section 18A of the Act applies; and
2. require that a selling agent who receives a declaration to which section 18A of the Act applies retain the declaration for a minimum of two years from the date of the sale to which the declaration relates.

This notice takes effect from the date it appears in the Government Gazette.

Dated 21 June 2010

RICHARD BOLT  
Secretary

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SCHEDULE



# Midfield Vendor Declaration - Bobby Calves -

With Compliments from:

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Should you make a mistake please retain a copy and use a new NVD form.

**PLEASE ENSURE EVERY SECTION IS FULLY COMPLETED**

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## Explanatory Notes – Bobby Calves – (For Calves Under 6 weeks of Age not Accompanied by their Dam)



**NOTE: This NVD can only be used for bobby calves consigned to Midfield Meat International Pty Ltd.**

### Completing the Declaration

The National Vendor Declaration (NVD) is part of the industry's commitment to food safety and product integrity. Producers must under QA rules provide a copy of this document for all calves consigned to Midfield Meat International Pty Ltd.

Answers all items accurately. Any false misleading or unverified statements may result in prosecution and/or civil action.

### Questions 1

Include here any independently audited QA program for example Cattlecare or dairy industry on-farm QA program.

### Question 3

This question is important to ensure that calves do not have unacceptable residues after consuming conventional stockfeeds, such as pasture, crop, stubble, grain or a prepared stockfeed, previously treated with agricultural chemicals. If the answer is "Yes" record all requested details in the space provided.

### Question 4

Detail any veterinary drugs or chemicals administered through medicated feeds or orally, injection or to the skin, including antibiotics, vaccines, worm and externally applied insecticides, but exclude vitamin and mineral treatments.

Export Slaughter Intervals (ESIs) are the period following treatment when calves are unsuitable for export processing. ESIs are industry standards to ensure export requirements are met. Withholding Periods (WHP) are the periods following treatment when calves are unsuitable for processing for domestic consumption in Australia.

### Question 5

Include exposure through access to milk from cows treated or exposed to drugs or chemicals that may be excreted in the milk. Always read the label and observe the withholding period.

### Question 6

Additional information relating to animal health status or commercial matters, not specifically covered in the Declaration, can be recorded here.

### DECLARATION

Signing this declaration has legal significance. Regulatory authorities may take legal action and purchasers may seek damages if any information in part A is incorrect. Before signing you must be absolutely satisfied you understand all elements of the document and these explanatory notes.

### Animal Welfare requirements

By signing the declaration you are declaring that the calves in a consignment meet standard animal welfare requirements

People in possession of, and handling, bobby calves have a responsibility to care for welfare of bobby calves under their control, and should be managing calves under National Animal Welfare Standards for Processing Establishments 2009/National Transport Standards 2009.

• Therefore, all calves presented for sale should:

- Be in their 5th day of life or older
- Have dry, withered navel cords
- Have been fed within 6 hours prior to the delivery to the point of sale or collection
- Be over 23kg liveweight
- Be fit and strong enough to be transported for slaughter

Calves which do not meet these criteria must not leave the farm for saleyard or slaughter

- (The Australian Model Code of Practices for the Welfare of Animals: Cattle 2nd Edition (2009)

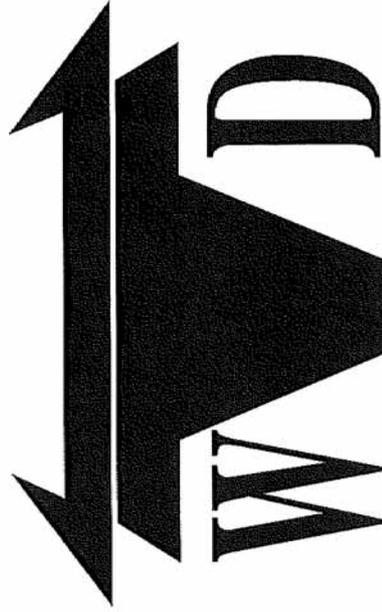
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Restricted Animal Material Includes any tissue, blood or other material taken from an animal and any meals derived from animals. Examples are meat and bone meals, blood meal, fish meal, feather meal etc. It does not include tallow, gelatine or milk products. Contact your State Agriculture or Primary Industries Department for more details on these feeding restrictions.

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# Farm Foods Western District Livestock Buying



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## HOW TO CALCULATE YOUR ABC SCORE

### OJD ASSURANCE BASED CREDIT (ABC) POINTS

Select only one line from each category that is applicable to consigned sheep, then add for total score

Category	Possible Credits	Credits for this consignment
<b>CATEGORY A: Prevalence Area</b> Flock(s) of origin - the lowest Category A credits of any property on which any of the sheep in the consignment have been run during their lives.	4	
A Low Prevalence Area and the flock is not suspected/known to be infected	2	
A Medium Prevalence Area and the flock is not suspected/known to be infected	0	
A High Prevalence Area and the flock is not suspected/known to be infected	0	
Any area and the flock is suspected or known to be infected		

### CATEGORY B: OJD Testing

The Flock is:

In the SheepMAP and has had 3 negative sample tests	4	
In the SheepMAP and has had 2 negative sample tests	3	
In the SheepMAP and has had 1 negative sample tests	2	
Not in the SheepMAP but has had a negative PFC 350 test in the last 12 months	2	
Not in the SheepMAP but is eligible for Abattoir 500 status	2	
Not in the SheepMAP but is eligible for Abattoir 150 status	1	
A test low level infected flock	1	
None of the above	0	

### CATEGORY C: OJD Vaccination

The flock is a second generation approved vaccinate flock	4	
The consignment sheep are approved vaccinates and were born when the whole flock were approved vaccinates	3	
The whole flock are approved vaccinates	2	
The consignment sheep are approved vaccinates	1	
None of the above	0	

### CATEGORY D: Consignment Sheep - Risk Assessment

The consignment sheep are:		
Sourced from a flock infected or suspected to be infected but are certified low-risk by a SheepMAP approved veterinarian	1	
None of the above	0	

### TOTAL ABC SCORE FOR THIS CONSIGNMENT OF SHEEP

(CATEGORY A + B + C + D) =

Maximum ABC score is 10

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

- Approved Vaccinate** - a sheep that is
  - vaccinated with an approved OJD vaccine by 16 weeks of age; or
  - vaccinated with an approved OJD vaccine after 16 weeks of age where, in the written opinion of a SheepMAP approved veterinarian, vaccination occurred when there was a low risk of prior exposure to OJD and is identified as an approved Vaccinate by an NLS 'V' tag.
- Abattoir 500 status** - at least 500 sheep, over 2 years of age, have been submitted to an abattoir in the past 24 months, in 1 or more lots, and have been examined and all found negative for OJD. The sheep must have been on the property for at least 2 years.
- Abattoir 150 status** - at least 150 sheep, over 2 years of age, have been submitted to an abattoir in the past 12 months, in 1 or more lots, and have been examined and all found negative for OJD. The sheep must have been on the property for at least 2 years.
- Certified low risk sheep** - sheep which are sourced from a flock that is infected or suspected to be infected with OJD, and which are certified in writing as low-risk by a SheepMAP approved veterinarian on the basis of:
  - a risk assessment, and
  - an approved Property Disease Management Program (PDMP) that includes profiling and strategic culling, being implemented in the flock. Other strategies such as vaccination of sheep which are unlikely to have been heavily exposed, may also be appropriate.
- Infected flocks** - flocks are no longer regarded as infected when either: (1) the whole flock consists of approved vaccinates and has undertaken a PFC 350 test, with negative results, at a minimum of 2 years after the last detected infected animal has been removed; OR (2) the whole flock is a second generation approved vaccinate flock which has undertaken a PFC 350 test, with negative results; OR (3) a destocking/decantation program approved by the CVO of the jurisdiction, has been completed.
- Prevalence area** - There are three Prevalence Areas: Low, Medium and High. These have been agreed nationally and are reviewed annually. Details are available from Animal Health Australia or www.ojfd.com.au
- PFC 350 test** - a test of 350 representative sheep over 2 years of age (or all sheep over 2 years of age in smaller flocks) by Pooled Faecal Culture in pools of up to 50 sheep.

- Sample Test** - a test of a sample of a flock, in accordance with the Sheep Market Assurance Program (SheepMAP) guidelines, and which is undertaken within the flock's SheepMAP program. The number of Sample Tests is the actual number of negative Sample Tests that contributed to the flock's SheepMAP status.
- Second generation Approved Vaccinate flock** - A flock comprising entirely Approved Vaccinates (except terminal 'T-tag' lambs) which were born when the whole flock (except terminal 'T-tag' lambs) were Approved Vaccinates.
- SheepMAP** - the Australian Johne's Disease Market Assurance Program for Sheep coordinated by Animal Health Australia.
- SheepMAP approved veterinarian** - you can search for SheepMAP vets in your area at <http://www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au/programs/jdmaps.cfm>
- Suspected to be infected flock** - a flock is suspected to be infected with OJD if the owner has reasonable grounds to believe that it has been exposed to OJD infection or that OJD may exist in the flock, based on:
  - trace back or trace forward contact with an infected flock;
  - contact with OJD contaminated land or facilities;
  - a positive Johne's disease screening test;
  - the flock neighbours an infected flock;
  - the flock has introduced sheep with an ABC score of 0;
  - clinical signs of OJD; or
  - advice from the relevant state agricultural department
- AND the flock has not met the requirements for resolution of suspicion.
- Terminal 'T' tag lambs** - lambs which are to be slaughtered before they cut their first permanent teeth and are identified by an NLS (sheep) 'T' tag.
- Tested low level Infected flock** - an infected flock which has a history supporting a low level of infection, an approved Property Disease Management Program in place, and the most recent flock profile demonstrating a detection rate of not more than 1 of 7 pools by Pooled Faecal Culture within the previous 2 years. Sheep mobs that contributed to the positive pool are not eligible for this point.

Although vendors of non-slaughter sheep are encouraged to complete all sections of the Sheep Health Statement, legislative requirements vary between the states. For further information, please contact your local agricultural department or visit: [www.ojfd.com.au](http://www.ojfd.com.au)

# NATIONAL GOAT HEALTH STATEMENT

010209

Attached to accompanying NVD/Waybill No. \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 1 – CONSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Owner of goats .....  
 Property/place where the journey commenced (full address) .....  
 ..... State ..... Postcode .....

Property Identification Code (PIC) of this property: \_\_\_\_\_

Number	Year born (month, if known)	Description (ie. Breed, sex and type)	Identification (eg. PFC/brand on ear tag; if different to above)

*Please attach a list if more information is required.*

**SECTION 3 – FOOTROT**

6. Have the goats in this consignment been observed for, and any suspect goats examined for, signs of FOOTROT during the past 14 days? Yes  No

7. To the best of your knowledge, are the goats in this consignment free of VIRULENT FOOTROT? Yes  No

8. To the best of your knowledge, are all sheep and goats on the consignor's property free from VIRULENT FOOTROT? Yes  No

**SECTION 4 – OTHER HEALTH INFORMATION**

9. Is the herd CAPRINE ARTHRITIS ENCEPHALITIS (CAE) ACCREDITED FREE? Yes  No   
 Herd Accreditation No.: ..... Expiry Date: .....

10. The goats in this consignment are derived from a herd which has had a whole herd negative test for CAE within the last 90 days. Yes  No

11. To the best of your knowledge, are the goats in this consignment free from LIJCF? Yes  No

12. Treatments

External Parasite Treatment	.....	Date of last treatment	.....
Drench	.....		.....
Vaccination other than JD (Eg CLA)	.....		.....
Other	.....		.....

**SECTION 2 – JOHNE'S DISEASE (JD)**

1. This consignment has an assurance rating of: (refer and complete overleaf)

Section A +  Section B =  TOTAL ASSURANCE RATING  
 Herd of Origin Rating Risk Management Rating

2. Were all these goats born on the above property? Yes  No   
 If no, date introduced ..... Assurance rating of goats at time of introduction:

*Note: If goats were sourced over multiple dates or from different vendors please attach supporting information*

3. Have goats with lower assurance rating than the consigned goats been introduced into the herd in the last 2 years? Yes  No   
 If yes, what is the lowest assurance rating of those introduced goats?

4. How many different sources of goats have been introduced to the consignor's property in last 2 years? None  1-5  6+  Bucks only

5. Are all these consignment goats from a GoatMAP herd? Yes  No   
 Status: ..... Expiry date: .....

**SECTION 5 - DECLARATION**

As the owner and/or person responsible for the husbandry of the goats in this consignment, I declare that the information in this statement is true and correct.

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Name (print): .....

Contact phone: .....

*Persons making false statements may be liable under fair trading and other relevant state legislation.*

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# NATIONAL GOAT HEALTH STATEMENT

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a rating risk and is not a quantitative risk assessment.

**SECTION A: Choose 1 Category in this section**

Circle only one rating in this section and enter that rating at the bottom of Section A.

The herd from which the goats are consigned is:	Assurance Rating
In the Goat MAP with MN3 status	8
In the Goat MAP with MN2 status	7
In the GoatMAP with MN1 status	6
Not known infected and has no risk factors <sup>(1)</sup>	5
Not known infected, but has risk factors <sup>(1)</sup>	4
Restricted 2 status – RD2 <sup>(2)</sup>	3
Restricted 1 status – RD1 <sup>(2)</sup>	2
Infected but undertaking an approved Property Disease Management Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	1
Infected <sup>(5)</sup>	0
<b>HERD RATING FOR SECTION A</b>	

**SECTION B: Choose 1 Category in this section**

Circle the number where applicable and add them at the bottom of Section B

The following management factors reduce the risk of Johne's disease in this herd:	Assurance Rating
The herd is not in the GoatMAP, but has had a Check Test <sup>(6)</sup> with negative results in the past 12 months	1
The consignment of goats are Approved Vaccinated Goats <sup>(7)</sup>	1
The consignment of goats has been reared under a national approved kid rearing program <sup>(8)</sup>	1
<b>HERD RATING FOR SECTION B</b>	

**ASSURANCE RATING = A + B =**

**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

- Risk Factors:**
  - The herd contains goats that were born or raised with dairy goats. The herd contains dairy breeds or dairy cross breed goats. Exceptions are goats that are from GoatMAP herds, or goats born and raised in WA.
  - The herd has grazed land in the past 5 years that is at risk of JD contamination. Land at risk of JD contamination includes land that is being grazed, or has been grazed in the preceding 12 months, by:
    - Dairy breeds or dairy cross bred goats, which are not sourced from GoatMAP herds.
    - Goat herds with RD2 or lower status.
    - Dairy cattle with a Dairy Assurance Score of less than 7.
    - Beef cattle, other than those in the CattleMAP or Beef Only.
    - Sheep which have an ABC score of less than 3.
- RD2:** A herd which has had a second negative herd test of all animals over 12 months of age in the herd, at least 2 years after RD1 status was achieved as part of an Approved Property Disease Management Plan.
- RD1:** A herd with a history of infection which has had 1 negative herd test of all animals over 12 months of age in the herd, at least 12 months after the last infected animal was removed from the herd as part of an approved Property Disease Management Plan.
- Infected but undertaking an approved Property Disease Management Plan:** An infected herd that has not yet progressed to RD1 status but is complying with an on-farm disease control program combining elements of testing, kid rearing and biosecurity that has been approved by Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO) of the jurisdiction.
- Infected; means infected with Johne's disease.** Herds are no longer regarded as infected when a Property Disease Management Plan, which has been approved by the Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO) of the jurisdiction, has been completed.
- Check Test:** A test of 50 goats over 12 months of age in the herd (or all goats over 12 months of age in smaller herds) by serology or faecal culture or pooled faecal culture of two (2) pools each of 25 goats, with negative results. The animals should be selected so as to increase the probability of detecting infection, i.e. older animals, animals in poor body condition.
- Approved Vaccinated Goat: A goat that is:**
  - vaccinated with an approved Johne's disease vaccine by 16 weeks of age; or
  - vaccinated with an approved Johne's disease vaccine after 16 weeks of age where, in the written opinion of a GoatMAP approved veterinarian, vaccination occurred prior to exposure to Johne's disease infection; and
  - is identified by an Approved Vaccination Tag.
- Nationally approved kid rearing program:** A kid rearing program designed to minimise the spread of Johne's disease in intensively managed herds, which has been documented and agreed by GICA and Animal Health Committee. (In development)

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