



Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Standards) Amendment (Reportable Sheep Mortality Level) Order 2018

I, Daryl Quinlivan, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources,
make the following order.

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Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Standards) Amendment (Reportable Sheep Mortality Level) Order 2018*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	7 July 2018

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 17 of the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry Act 1997*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Standards) Order 2005

1 At the end of the instrument

Add:

5 Sheep exported by sea—reportable mortality level

- (1) This section applies in relation to the export of a consignment of sheep by sea by the holder of a live-stock export licence (the *exporter*) if the vessel transporting the sheep leaves Australia after the commencement of this section.

Note: For *consignment*, see subsection (5).

- (2) The exporter must give a written report to the Department if the shipboard mortality level of the exporter's consignment of sheep on the vessel (including during loading onto, and unloading from, the vessel) reaches:

- (a) 1% of the sheep in the consignment, calculated in accordance with subsection (3); or
(b) 3 sheep in the consignment;

whichever is the greater. The report must be given as soon as possible and, in any event, within 12 hours after that level is reached.

Note: The requirement in this subsection applies in addition to any reporting requirements in the *Australian Standards for the Export of Live-stock* that apply in relation to the sheep.

- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (2)(a), the shipboard mortality level of the exporter's consignment of sheep on the vessel (including during loading onto, and unloading from, the vessel) is calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Total sheep deaths in consignment}}{\text{Total number of sheep in consignment}} \times 100$$

where:

total number of sheep in consignment means the total number of sheep in the exporter's consignment of sheep loaded onto the vessel.

total sheep deaths in consignment means the total number of sheep in the exporter's consignment of sheep that have died on the vessel (including during loading onto, and unloading from, the vessel).

- (4) A report by an exporter under subsection (2) in relation to the exporter's consignment of sheep on a vessel must include the following information:
- (a) the name of the vessel;
- (b) the unique number of the notice of intention to export the consignment given to the Secretary under Part 1A of the *Export Control (Animals) Order 2004*;
- (c) the number of sheep in the consignment that have died on the vessel (including during loading onto, and unloading from, the vessel);
- (d) each suspected cause of the deaths;

- (e) the factors that may have contributed to the deaths;
- (f) a description of the actions being taken to manage the health and welfare of the consignment of sheep;
- (g) the location of the vessel at the time the report is given;
- (h) the destination of the vessel and its estimated time of arrival;
- (i) the date the report is prepared;
- (j) any other information that the exporter considers relevant.

Meaning of consignment

- (5) For the purposes of this section, a consignment of sheep on a vessel in relation to the holder of a live-stock export licence includes all sheep on the vessel that are permitted to be exported by the holder under the licence.