

SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON MONDAY THE 4th OF DECEMBER 2006
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1. Handbook amendments

- 21A record - Wool description still has a P or W in the data dictionary at the start of the field that no-one uses;

The letters P & W were still listed in the handbook to be used at the start of the Wool Description field however they were not always being used correctly. The wording will be updated for Wool Description and added to changes for the next handbook release.

- 21C record - All fields do not need to be mandatory – for example if sending a Classer-ID it is not necessary to send AWEX-ID. Also classer-id is not necessarily mandatory for non-classed wools;

The 21C record fields were all listed as mandatory however there are cases where the fields will not be included in all transmissions and it was suggested that the relevant fields be changed to conditional. The fields in the 21C record will be updated for the next version release.

- 51I record –Yield type 1 & 2 are listed as being spaces in the AC & PC documents;

Yield type 1 & 2 were listed as being spaces in the AC & PC documents in the 51I, 51F, 51M & 51P records. The fields in the AC & PC documents will be updated for the next version release.

- Data Dictionary - Catalogue Symbols Update;

The catalogue symbols in the handbook become out of date due to the fact that they are updated at more frequent intervals than the handbook. The catalogue symbols will be updated, a note and web link added to the catalogue symbol definition in the handbook for users to check if the codes are up to date.

- 24B record - Change Delivery Date to a Conditional field.

The field will be updated to conditional in the next handbook release.

- Core test sampling date in 21A & 31 records

The field was listed as conditional in the records however no condition was listed. No changes will be made to the records at this stage and the existing condition from the data dictionary will be added to the 21A and 31 records.

2. 21C Record Additions

AWEX has surveyed its members and found that there are significant issues with bale weights. As a result of this it is proposed that new fields be added to the 21C record. No changes will be made at this stage until further investigation is carried out.

3. WIEDPUG Internationalization

It is recommended that a 01 record be added as well as changing the country of origin field in the 00 record from a two digit numeric field to the two letter ISO standard field for country. The 01 record now needs to be added to every document, changes will be submitted at a subsequent meeting.

4. WIEDPUG Storage Accounts

Private trials are being conducted to verify if there is any merit for a Storage Accounts document to be created.

5. Future EDI Direction

The future direction and strategic positioning of EDI within the wool industry is being investigated and it is being queried if the committee would be willing to take a leadership role. Each committee member will be submitting a paper to be collated and presented at a subsequent meeting on the issue.

6. Other Business

Team 3

An issue with negative Romaine figures being manually calculated by some users and transmitted as a positive value has arisen. A zero will be transmitted if the Romaine calculated is negative.

Pesticide Residue Testing

A request has been made for a flag to indicate that pesticide residue testing by CSIRO is required. There is enough space in the TRV document to implement this and it will be included in the next release.

7. Next Meeting

10:00am Monday 29th January 2007

The next version release depending upon the amount of changes agreed upon at the next meeting is the July 2007 sale recess.