

4<sup>th</sup> December 2014

## **National Wool Declaration Version 6.2 (November 2014)**

AWEX, through the Industry Services Advisory Committee (ISAC), has completed its evaluation of the National Wool Declaration (NWD). The evaluation considered the current rate of declaration, which has plateaued at approx. 43% for all Mulesing Status and the high Non Compliance/Error rate for NM, CM and PR. The NWD program requires error free data, which will be enhanced by simplifying the NWD and making it more user-friendly for growers.

Version 6.2 was drafted and approved by the AWEX Board at its meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2014. The changes included:

- Simplifying wording and removal of repeat information in the NWD form and the Definitions/Instructions page.
- Modifying the Notes in the "How to Complete the NWD" section so that the intent of the grower can be captured by data entry staff. This information is important to both the woolgrower and NWD software programmers/data entry personnel.

An outcome of the evaluation is that AWEX will be conducting workshops with Sellers administration staff to improve their understanding and interpretation of the NWD and assist them in identifying effective ways to reduce the data entry error rate.

AWEX wishes to advise that the NWD Version 6.2 (November 2014) is now available in formats designed to meet the needs of the all sellers and their data entry systems:

- NWD V6.2 November 2014 – Talman (Landscape), see pages 2 and 3
- NWD V6.2 November 2014 – Talman (Portrait)
- NWD V6.2 November 2014 – AWH (Landscape)
- NWD V6.2 November 2014 – AWH (Portrait)
- NWD V6.2 November 2014 – Separate NWD (Portrait)

*Note*, the changes are only applicable to the NWD itself. Brokers may decide what they would like on their Classer's Specification; however, the contact details for the client as well as the date are required for the NWD - Integrity Program.

Please contact AWEX to receive a copy of NWD V6.2 (November 2014) that is appropriate to your company. On request, AWEX is able to include an individual broker's logo in the NWD. The NWDs are also available on the AWEX website: [www.awex.com.au](http://www.awex.com.au)

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<b>BROKER</b>		<b>FARM BRAND</b>			<b>WOOLCLASSER'S SPECIFICATION</b> Page ( ) of ( )						
<b>Wool No.</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px;"></div>		<b>Delivery Centre</b> .....			<b>Proceed Instructions</b> By Cheque (Y/N) .....OR A/C Name.....		<b>Shearing Details</b> Is this Shearing Complete (Y/N)..... No. of Bales in this Consignment..... Est. No. Bales in this Shearing..... Date Shearing Completed...../...../.....				
<b>ABN</b> ..... <b>GST Reg (Y/N)</b> .....		<b>Trading Details</b> Trading Name..... Contact Name..... Postal Address.....P/C.....			<b>Offering Instructions</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Available (Y/N)..... Other.....		<b>Remarks</b>				
		Ph/Mob.....Fax..... Email.....									

Office Use Only		No. Bales	Bale Description	Bale Numbers															Mob Numbers	Mulesing Status NM/PR/M/CM Office Use Only	Bin Code	Classer's Comments							
Lot / Sale	AM			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15											
<b>TOTAL BALES</b>																													

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The NATIONAL WOOL DECLARATION (NWD) must be completed and signed by the Owner/Manager.																				<b>WOOLCLASSER DETAILS</b>			
Has Mulesing Ceased on this Property? <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO (Tick Box)																				<b>Mulesing Status (for each Mob):</b> <b>NM:</b> No sheep in this mob has been mulesed. <b>M:</b> Some/all of the sheep in this mob have been mulesed. <b>PR:</b> All sheep in this mob were mulesed using a registered Pain Relief product.			
Mob No.	Mob Break/ Bale Ranges	Age Code	Breed Code	Sex Code	Contact with Shedding Breeds (Y/N)	Mob Crutched (Y/N)	Crutched within 3 mths prior to Shearing (Y/N)	Mulesing Status (NM, PR or M)	Wool Length (mm)	VM (Lo, Med or Hi)	Comments / Matching Mob Info				Name								
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By signing this declaration, I warrant that (a) I am authorised to complete this declaration and confirm that all details contained in it are true and correct, (b) I authorise the selling agent to submit this document to AWEX (if requested) for the purpose of the NWD-Integrity Program and (c) I understand that I may be subject to random desk audits and on farm inspections, the results of which may be made available to the buyers of the declared wool and the selling agent. Details of the AWEX NWD-Integrity Program and Privacy Policy are available on the AWEX website: www.awex.com.au.

**PIC****Owner/Manager Name**.....**Signature**.....**Date**...../...../.....

## National Wool Declaration (NWD) Definitions

<b>1 Mulesing</b>	The removal of skin from the breech and/or tail of a sheep using mulesing shears. <i>Source:</i> Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Sheep (draft).
<b>2 Ceased Mulesing (CM)</b>	Wool from sheep where <u>mulesing has ceased on the property</u> . No lambs born on the property in the last 12 months have been mulesed at the time of this shearing.
<b>3 Non Mulesed (NM)</b>	<u>No sheep</u> in this mob has been mulesed.
<b>4 Pain Relief (PR)</b>	All sheep in this mob have been <u>mulesed using a registered Pain Relief product</u> . <b>Note:</b> PR must be declared separately for each mob (it is <u>not</u> a property declaration).
<b>5 Mulesed (M)</b>	<u>Some/all sheep</u> in this mob have been mulesed.
<b>6 Shedding Breeds</b>	Breeds that shed fibre (e.g. Afrikaner, Australian White, Awassi, Damara, Dorper, Karakul, Meatmaster, Persian, Van Rooy, Wiltipoll, Wiltshire Horn).
<b>7 Contact with Shedding Breeds</b>	Mated to, or run in the same paddock as shedding sheep/lambs or their crosses.


### How to Complete the NWD

- To declare the DMFR and/or Mulesing Status for each mob (and line of wool) the **Owner/Manager**, in consultation with the **Woolclasser**, must:
- Answer the question “**Has Mulesing Ceased on this Property?**”
  - Complete all the **NWD Mob questions** (Mob No., Age, Breed, Sex, Shedding Breeds, Crutching and Mulesing Status).
  - **Sign and date the declaration.**
- The **Woolclasser** will complete the rest of the specification, **including the Mob Number column**, for all lines of wool (including oddments).

**Note 1:** If Mulesing has Ceased on the property, for mobs that have been declared Mulesed (or left the box left blank), CM will be allocated to the associated lines of wool.

**Note 2:** If Mulesing has not Ceased on the property, for mobs that have been declared Mulesed (or left the box left blank), Blank will be allocated to the associated lines of wool.

**Note 3:** Not Declared (ND) will be recorded for mobs (and associated lines of wool) where the DMFR and/or the Mulesing declaration is left blank (i.e. the CM question has not been answered and the mob DMFR and Mulesing Status questions are blank or incomplete).

		NWD Codes			
Age/Shearing	Code	Breed	Code	Sex	Code
1 <sup>st</sup> Shearing	<b>1</b>	Merino	<b>M</b>	Ewes	<b>E</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Shearing to 2 years	<b>2</b>	Afrino	<b>FO</b>	Wethers	<b>W</b>
3 years	<b>3</b>	SAMM	<b>MS</b>	Rams	<b>R</b>
4 years	<b>4</b>	Corriedale	<b>CD</b>	Mixed (E/W)	<b>M</b>
5 years	<b>5</b>	Crossbred	<b>XB</b>		
6, 7, 8 years etc.	<b>6, 7, 8....</b>	Downs	<b>DN</b>		
Mixed, e.g. 3 to 5 years	<b>3 - 5</b>	Shedding Breeds	<b>SB</b>		
<b>NWD V6.2, November 2014</b>		Carpet Wool	<b>CW</b>		