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## 2013-2015 Woolclasser Registration **Update**

AWEX Members and industry stakeholders are advised that the 2010-2012 Woolclasser Registration has now expired and the 2013-2015 registration period has commenced.

AWEX posted the original 2013-2015 registration forms to all woolclassers on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2012. Follow up reminder letters were distributed to remaining unregistered woolclassers in November and December.

Today, AWEX has sent (by post and email) a FINAL REMINDER to the remaining unregistered woolclassers to advise them that their 2012 registration has expired and that they have an opportunity to register for 2013-2015 before it closes.

The consequence of being an unregistered woolclasser is that they will not be able to use their 12 stencil or be employed as a registered woolclasser. This will also have consequences for woolgrowers seeking to have their clip prepared in order to achieve a 'P' certificate which is highly sought after by buyers and processors.

Once registered, the current time lapse for woolclassers to receive their registration packs is approximately 2-3 weeks to complete.

The reminder letter encourages remaining unregistered woolclassers to either:

- Register via the AWEX web-site (<u>www.awex.com.au</u>).
- Complete their forms and return them to AWEX by post or fax, or
- Contact AWEX to pay over the phone on 02 9428 6160.

This is the first time AWEX has offered a pay-over-the-phone payment service. This service will speed up the registration process for woolclassers.

The reminder letter also contained the woolclassers personal Stencil number and one-time use password if paying via the AWEX web-site (Visa or Mastercard only).

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On registering each woolclasser will receive:

- ✓ Woolclassers Stencil and Stamp (AW, OC & MC only),
- ✓ 2013-2015 Woolclasser Code of Practice, ✓ 2013-2015 Sheep Breed Compendium,
- ✓ Bale Marking Poster
- ✓ Permanent marker pen (AW, OC & MC only)





To date re-registration is running at approximately 82% and on par with the last registration period. It is important that as an industry we have enough qualified, skilled and registered woolclassers to prepare the Australian clip and ensure that woolgrowers are eligible to receive a 'P' certificate.

The table below indicates the percentage of woolclassers who have re-registered for 2013-2015 as at 18<sup>th</sup> January.

ACT	86.0%
NSW	81.5%
QLD	77.3%
SA	84.5%
TAS	84.9%
VIC	84.7%
WA	77.1%
TOTAL	82.1%

For further information regarding the 2010/2012 Woolclasser Registration please contact your local AWEX office, AWEX Head Office: 02 9428 6100 or Mark Grave, CEO, on 02 9428 6100 or mgrave@awex.com.au