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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT

RURAL LANDS PROTECTION ACT 1998

Section 140J

Approval of Transported Stock Statements

I, RICHARD FREDERICK SHELDRAKE, Director-General of the New South Wales Department of Agriculture, hereby approve, for the purposes of Section 140J(2) of the Rural Lands Protection Act 1998, the attached form marked "National Vendor Declaration (Goats) and Waybill" as a transported stock statement.

Signed this 12th day of May 2004.

R. F. SHELDRAKE,
Director-General

STOCK DISEASES ACT 1923**Notification No. 1785****Footrot Protected and Protected (Control) Areas**

I, IAN MACDONALD MLC, NSW Minister for Primary Industries, pursuant to Section 11A of the Stock Diseases Act 1923 (“the Act”):

- (a) revoke Stock Diseases Notification No. 1782 published in *Government Gazette* No. 198 of 24 December 2003 at pages 11690, and any other previous Notifications declaring lands as footrot protected areas or protected (control) areas.
- (b) declare the lands described in Schedule A to be protected areas as regards the disease footrot in sheep and goats. (Those lands are referred to as “Footrot Protected Areas”, and are represented generally on the map titled “NSW Footrot Areas April 2004”).
- (c) declare the lands in Schedule B to be protected (control) areas as regards the disease footrot in sheep and goats. (Those lands are referred to as “Footrot Protected (Control) Areas”, and are represented generally on the map titled “NSW Footrot Areas April 2004”).
- (d) prohibit a person from moving sheep or goats into any protected area or protected (control) area referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c), unless:
 - (i) the sheep or goats are moved in accordance with a permit under section 7(6) of the Act; or
 - (ii) the sheep or goats are moved in accordance with an order under section 8(1)(b) of the Act; or
 - (iii) all the requirements of section 20C(3) of the Act have been satisfied; or
 - (iv) the sheep or goats are not infected with footrot and one or more of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - the sheep or goats are transported in a vehicle from any protected area referred to in paragraph (b) directly to any other protected area referred to in paragraph (b);
 - the sheep or goats are transported in a vehicle from any protected (control) area referred to in paragraph (c) directly to any other protected (control) area referred to in paragraph (c); and
 - the sheep or goats are accompanied by a completed Owner/Vendor Declaration of Footrot Freedom form, as approved by the Chief, Division of Animal Industries (“the declaration”), and that declaration is given to the person to whom the sheep or goats are delivered.
- (e) Unless otherwise specified, in this Notification a reference to a Rural Lands Protection District includes all land in that district, and a reference to a Division or part of a Division of a Rural Lands Protection District includes all land in that Division or part of a Division. Rural Lands Protection Districts are established under the Rural Lands Protection Act 1998.

SCHEDULE A**NSW FOOTROT PROTECTED AREAS**North East Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Casino, Grafton, Kempsey and Tweed/Lismore.

New England Footrot Protected Area

Divisions A, B, C, D, I, and J of the Northern New England Rural Lands Protection District.

North West Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Moree, Narrabri, Northern Slopes, and Tamworth.

Orana Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Coonabarabran, Coonamble, Dubbo, Mudgee/Merriwa, Nyngan and Walgett.

Central West Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Condobolin, Forbes, Molong, Division A of the Central Tablelands Rural Lands Protection District, and Division A, and the parts of Divisions B and C of the Young Rural Lands Protection District west of a line commencing at the point on the boundary between the Young and the Forbes Rural Lands Protection Districts being the western boundary of the Henry Lawson Way, thence by the western boundary of the Henry Lawson Way south to the town of Young to the point where it meets the western boundary of the Olympic Way, thence south along the western boundary of the Olympic Way to the point where it meets the boundary of the Young and Gundagai Rural Lands Protection Districts.

Hunter Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Gloucester, Hunter, and Maitland.

South East Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Bombala, Cooma, Moss Vale, South Coast, and Divisions A, C and D of the Goulburn Rural Lands Protection District.

Riverina Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Hay, Riverina, and Narrandera, and Divisions A, B and C of the Murray Rural Lands Protection District, and Divisions A and B of the Wagga Wagga Rural Lands Protection District, and Division A, and the parts of Divisions C and D that are within the Kosciuszko National Park, of the Gundagai Rural Lands Protection District, and the part of Division F that is within the Kosciuszko National Park, of the Hume Rural Lands Protection Board.

Western Division Footrot Protected Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Balranald, Bourke, Brewarrina, Broken Hill, Cobar, Hillston, Milparinka, Wanaaring, Wentworth and Wilcannia.

SCHEDULE B**NSW FOOTROT PROTECTED (CONTROL) AREAS**New England Footrot Protected (Control) Area

The Armidale Rural Lands Protection District, and Divisions E, F, G, and H of the Northern New England Rural Lands Protection District.

Central West Footrot Protected (Control) Area

Divisions B, C, D, E, F, G and H of Central Tablelands Rural Lands Protection District, and Division D, and the parts of Divisions B and C of the Young Rural Lands Protection District east of a line commencing at the point on the boundary between the Young and the Forbes Rural Lands Protection Districts being the western boundary of the Henry Lawson Way, thence by the western boundary of the Henry Lawson Way south to the town of Young to the point where it meets the western boundary of the Olympic Way, thence south along the western boundary of the Olympic Way to the point where it meets the boundary of the Young and Gundagai Rural Lands Protection Districts.

South East Footrot Protected (Control) Area

The Rural Lands Protection Districts of Braidwood, Yass, and Division B of the Goulburn Rural Lands Protection District.

Riverina Footrot Protected (Control) Area

Division D of the Murray Rural Lands Protection District, Divisions C and D of the Wagga Wagga Rural Lands Protection District, Division B, and the parts of Divisions C and D that are not within the Kosciuszko National Park, of the Gundagai Rural Lands Protection District, and Divisions A, B, C, D, E, G and H, and the part of Division F that is not within the Kosciuszko National Park, of the Hume Rural Lands Protection District.

Notes

It is an offence under section 20H(1)(a) to contravene a provision of this Notification.

Maximum penalty for such an offence is \$11,000.

A protected (Control) Area is an area with a moderate prevalence of a disease (section 11A(1) of the Act). This is different to a Protected Area, where there is a lower prevalence of a disease (section 11A(1B) of the Act).

A map of the Protected Area and the Protected (Control) Area with respect to Footrot in Sheep and Goats is published on the NSW Department of Agriculture internet web site at <http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/12105>

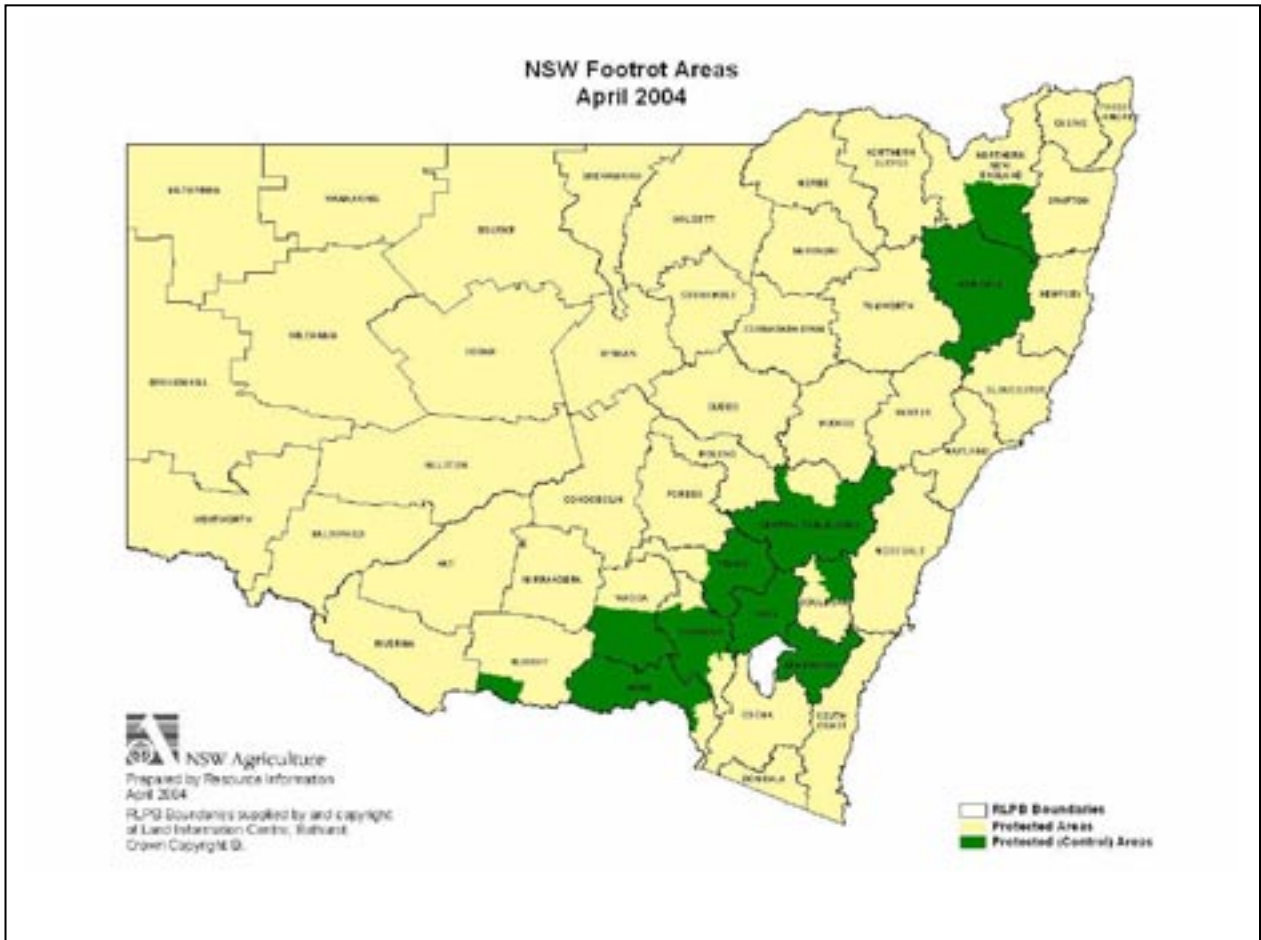
A person who receives a completed Declaration form is advised to retain it as evidence of compliance with this Notification.

Notification No. 1785 is the NSW Department of Agriculture's reference.

For further information, contact the NSW Department of Agriculture on (02) 63913248.

Dated this 14th day of May 2004.

IAN MACDONALD MLC
NSW MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES



**NATIONAL VENDOR DECLARATION
(GOATS) AND WAYBILL**

First edition, March 2004

SERIAL NUMBER

Part A To be completed by the owner or person who is responsible for the husbandry of the goats.

Owner of goats.....

Property/place where the journey commenced.....





(NAME OF PERSON AND FULL TRADING NAME)

FULL ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTCODE

Property Identification Code (PIC) of this property

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Description of goats

Number	Year born (DOP)	Description (BREED, SEX & TYPE E.G. CROSS-BRED)	Month of shearing	Brand/Ear tag/PIC (IF DIFFERENT FROM THAT SHOWN ABOVE)	Earmarks (IF PRESENT OR REQUIRED)
					
					
					
					

Hours off feed and water before transporting.....

Consigned to.....

Destination of goats.....

(NAME OF PERSON OR BUSINESS AND FULL ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTCODE)

Details of other statutory documents relating to this movement e.g. permit, animal health certificate, animal health statement

FULL ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTCODE

DOCUMENT TYPE NUMBER OFFICE OF ISSUE EXPIRY DATE

Part B To be completed by the person who is responsible for the husbandry of the goats.

1 Were all of the goats born and raised on the vendor's property?

Yes No Don't know

If No, how long ago were the goats obtained or purchased?

(If purchased at different times, tick the box corresponding to the time of the most recent purchase.)

Less than 2 months 2-6 months 6-12 months more than 12 months

2 Have all the goats in the consignment been born behind wire and reared in captivity since birth? (See Explanatory Notes)

Yes No Don't know

3 Are any of the goats in this consignment still within a meat Withholding Period (WHP) following treatment with any veterinary drug or chemical?

Yes No Don't know If Yes, give details: (Record additional details in question 6)

CHEMICAL PRODUCT TREATMENT DATE WHP

4 In the past 60 days, have any of these goats consumed any stockfeed that was still within a WHP when harvested or first grazed?

Yes No Don't know If Yes, give details:

CHEMICAL PRODUCT DATE APPLIED GRAZING WHP DATE FIRST FED/GRAZED DATE FEEDING/GRAZING CEASED

5 Have any of the goats in this consignment ever in their lives been fed feed containing tallow or gelatin?

Yes No Don't know

6 Please include any additional information below

eg: vaccination programs, animal health certification, additional declarations, etc.

Part C To be completed by the owner or person who is responsible for the husbandry of the goats.

I FULL NAME FULL ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTCODE
 declare that, I am the owner or the person responsible for the husbandry of the goats and that all the information in part A of this document is true and correct.

(If this document is NOT being used as a National Vendor Declaration, the following paragraph may be deleted and part B need not be completed.)

As the person responsible for the husbandry of the goats, I also declare that all the information in part B of this document is true and correct, that I have read and understood all the questions that I have answered, that I have read and understood the explanatory notes, and that, while under my control, the goats were not fed restricted animal material (including meat and bone meal) in breach of State or Territory legislation.

Signature*..... **Date**..... **Tel no.**.....
 *Only the person whose name appears above may sign this declaration, or make amendments which must be initiated.

Part D To be completed by the person in charge of the goats while they are being moved.
 Completion of this part is optional in SA, TAS and VIC.

Date and time movement commenced:..... **Driver's licence no.**..... am/pm

Vehicle registration number:..... **am the person in charge of the goats during the movement and declare all the information in Part D is true and correct.**

Signature*..... **Date**..... **Tel no.**.....

*When more than one truck is carrying the goats, other vehicle registration numbers are to be recorded.

Part E Agents declaration for goats sold at auction.

In the case of goats sold at auction, this declaration is to be retained by the selling agent for a minimum of two (2) years, or three (3) years in WA. A copy is to be made available to any buyer of the consignment or part of the consignment on request.

Vendor code..... **Agent's code**.....

Stock agent company.....

Buyer's name.....

No. of goats purchased..... **Saleyard arrival time (am/pm)**.....

Agent's signature..... **Date**.....

EXPLANATORY NOTES – NATIONAL VENDOR DECLARATION (GOATS) AND WAYBILL

Background

The National Vendor Declaration (NVD) is part of the goat industry's commitment to food safety and product integrity.

Waybills are required when goats (and other stock) are moved in the Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory, New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia. Only this combined NVD/waybill need be completed in these States/Territories when goats are being moved. The completion of Part D of this combined NVD/waybill is optional in those States where waybills are not required.

This document can be used as a waybill without using the NVD component, in which case Part B is not completed and the second paragraph of Part C is struck out. Standalone waybills will continue to be available from relevant regulatory authorities, and their use is preferable if only a waybill is required.

Producers are strongly encouraged to provide a copy of this document for all goats they offer for sale or slaughter, and to insist on a correctly completed copy when buying goats.

General

Answer all items accurately. Any false, misleading or unverifiable statements may result in prosecution and/or civil action. If you rely on the document to verify future claims about purchased stock, then the stock should be identified and recorded against their accompanying document.

The cost of any residue testing required or undertaken in response to information given on the document is a commercial matter between the vendor and buyer (except where industry funds such testing).

The document is in triplicate.

- The original goes with the goats to the purchaser or destination. Saleyard agents completing Part E should retain the original for 2 years (for 3 years in Western Australia) and supply a copy to any buyer on request.
- The first copy goes to the person who transports the goats and completed Part B. In the Northern Territory it must be sent to the Chief Inspector of Stock, and the Australian Capital Territory it must be sent to the Controller of Stock.
- The second copy stays in the book for your records and must be retained for 2 years (for 3 years in Western Australia).

PART A

Part A is only to be completed by the owner of the goats or person responsible for the husbandry of the goats

Address and PIC (Property Identification Code) of property/place where the journey commenced

The address and PIC (if it is not pre-printed) of the property/place where the journey commenced must be recorded regardless of the length of time the goats have resided on the property/place. NVD/waybill forms, pre-printed with a property PIC, can only be used when goats are to be moved from that property.

If the goats were walked to yards on another property exclusively for the purpose of loading at the commencement of this journey, do not record the PIC of the property on which the goats were loaded. In such instances, record the PIC of the property of last residence.

A new NVD/waybill must be completed if the goats have been purchased and/or moved to a new property, and then dispatched to a saleyard, abattoir or other destination.

Property Identification Code
The Property Identification Code (PIC) is the current property number allocated to your goat producing property by the relevant State/Territory Government authority. The PIC is commonly known as the property's "tail tag number" because the same number appears on the tail tags used for the identification of cattle leaving the property. In WA the owners brand may be used instead of the PIC.

Identification of goats

The identification of goats creates a clear linkage between the livestock and the information provided on this form.

Ear tagging, ear notching, tattooing or distinctive nose or head raddles may be used for identification purposes. The application of brands to the body of goats immediately prior to dispatch is not recommended as such brands may not be completely scorable.

The goat industry is currently considering the introduction of a national livestock identification system for goats. This system should be available in the near future.

Details of other statutory documents

Other documents relating to this movement eg, permit, animal health certificate, animal health statement, including additional sheets of descriptions of goats. The words "Attachment to NVD/waybill serial number..." must be on every additional document with the serial number recorded. Additional document(s) must be attached to the original and both copies.

PART B

Domestication Requirements (Question 2)

Animal welfare issues may arise when goats which have not been sufficiently domesticated are handled. Trapped

feral goats are not eligible for live export to Saudi Arabia. Goats for live export should be kept in holding paddocks and fed and watered from troughs prior to delivery to the feedlot.

Veterinary drugs and chemicals (Question 3)

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

Export Slaughter Intervals (ESIs) and Withholding Periods (WHPs) for commonly used veterinary chemicals are listed in the table to the right. ESIs are the period following treatment when goats are unsuitable for export processing. ESIs are an industry standard to ensure export requirements are met. WHPs are the periods following treatment when goats are unsuitable for processing for domestic consumption in Australia.

Agricultural chemicals (Question 4)

This question is important to ensure that goats 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.

If the goats have consumed purchased feeds within 60 days prior to sale the vendor should answer "Don't know" to this question unless they hold SAFEMATE endorsed vendor declarations for that feed and those declarations confirm that all required WHPs have been met and/or that the feed complies with all requirements relating to chemical residues through a QA testing program.

If any of the goats consumed pasture, stubbles or failed crops previously treated with a chemical that had no grazing/fodder WHP on the label the question should be answered "Yes" and details provided.

Feeding restrictions (Question 5)

The NVD includes a manager's declaration that the goats described have not been fed contrary to the law. State law prohibits feeding of most animal materials to ruminants.

Animal materials include 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, leather meal, etc. It does not include tallow, gelatin or milk products. Contact your State Agriculture/Primary Industries Department for more details on these feeding restrictions.

Some overseas customers also require that the goat meat and offal they receive be sourced from goats that have never in their lives been fed animal material such as meat and bone meal as well as animal fat such as tallow which may be included in supplementary feed materials.

Additional information (Question 6)

List any required attached documents, and attach copies of the documents to the original and all copies of the declaration.

PART C

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

If the person signing the document has not been responsible for the husbandry of the animals, the second paragraph of Part C must be struck out and the document will not be a NVD.

Livestock agents in particular are advised that unless they are directly responsible for the husbandry of the goats they must not sign unless the second paragraph has been struck out.

PART D

The carrier, including the driver, must complete this part and sign it. When more than one truck is carrying the goats all vehicle registration numbers are to be recorded. If there is insufficient space to record all the vehicle registration numbers an additional document must be attached to the original and all copies. Some state regulatory authorities will require a copy of the NVD to travel with each individual vehicle. If any information is incorrect regulatory authorities may take legal action. Completion of this part is optional within South Australia, Tasmania and Victoria.

Updated ESI information is available on the internet at the MLA website www.mla.com.au/esi or from MLA on 1800 635 445.

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