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## SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT

### STOCK DISEASES ACT 1923

Notification No. 1825-OJD

Declaration of a Protected Area and Protected (Control) Area as regards Johne's disease in sheep  
(known as ovine Johne's disease or OJD)

I, KATRINA ANN HODGKINSON, M.P., Minister for Primary Industries:

1. pursuant to sections 3 (2) (a) and 11A of the Stock Diseases Act 1923 ("the Act"), revoke Notification No. 1819-OJD published in *New South Wales Government Gazette* No. 59 of 3 April 2009, at pages 1624-1626 and any notification revived as a result of this revocation; and,
2. pursuant to section 11A of the Act, declare the lands described in the Schedule below to be a Protected Area (to also be known as the 'OJD Exclusion Area'), and all other lands in New South Wales to be a Protected (Control) Area (to also be known as the 'OJD Management Area'), as regards Johne's disease in sheep (known as ovine Johne's disease or OJD); and
3. pursuant to section 11A of the Act prohibit the bringing into the Protected Area of any sheep from any part of the Protected (Control) Area unless:
  - (a) the sheep are accompanied by a completed National Sheep Health Statement that is given to the person to whom the sheep are delivered; or
  - (b) the sheep are 'exempt sheep'; or
  - (c) the sheep originate from the Protected Area and are transported in a vehicle through the Protected (Control) Area without unloading, and back into the Protected Area; or
  - (d) the sheep are moved in accordance with:
    - (i) a written permit issued by an inspector under section 7 (6) of the Act, or
    - (ii) an order given by an inspector under section 8 (1) (b) of the Act.

#### Definitions

In this Notification:

*Animal Health Committee* means the committee comprised of the Chief Veterinary Officers of the Commonwealth, states and territories, and New Zealand, along with representatives from the Australian Animal Health Laboratory (CSIRO), Animal Health Australia and Biosecurity Australia.

exempt sheep means:

- a. sheep being moved to slaughter either directly or via a slaughter-only sale;
- b. lambs accompanied by a National Vendor Declaration (Sheep and Lambs) or Waybill on which Question 7 has been filled in with the words 'PRIME LAMBS FOR SLAUGHTER ONLY'; or
- c. sheep being sent or delivered to a sale which has been approved by a Regional Veterinary Officer as a "National Sheep Health Statement" exempt sale.

*Livestock Health and Pest District* means a Livestock Health and Pest District constituted by or as a consequence of a proclamation made under section 5 of the Rural Lands Protection Act 1998.

*National Sheep Health Statement* means a document approved by Animal Health Committee as a health declaration for sheep in Australia. The document can be sourced from the Animal Health Australia Farm Biosecurity website at: <http://www.farmbiosecurity.com.au/toolkit/declarations-and-statements/> or from a printed book consistent with the statement approved by Animal Health Committee.

‘*OJD Exclusion Area*’ means the part of New South Wales declared by Notification from time to time to be a Protected Area as regards Johne’s disease in sheep.

‘*OJD Management Area*’ means the part of New South Wales declared by Notification from time to time to be a Protected (Control) Area as regards Johne’s disease in sheep.

*Regional Veterinary Officer* means a Regional Veterinary Officer of the NSW Department of Primary Industries.

*sale* includes, sell, offer for sale, assist in selling and attempt to sell.

#### SCHEDULE

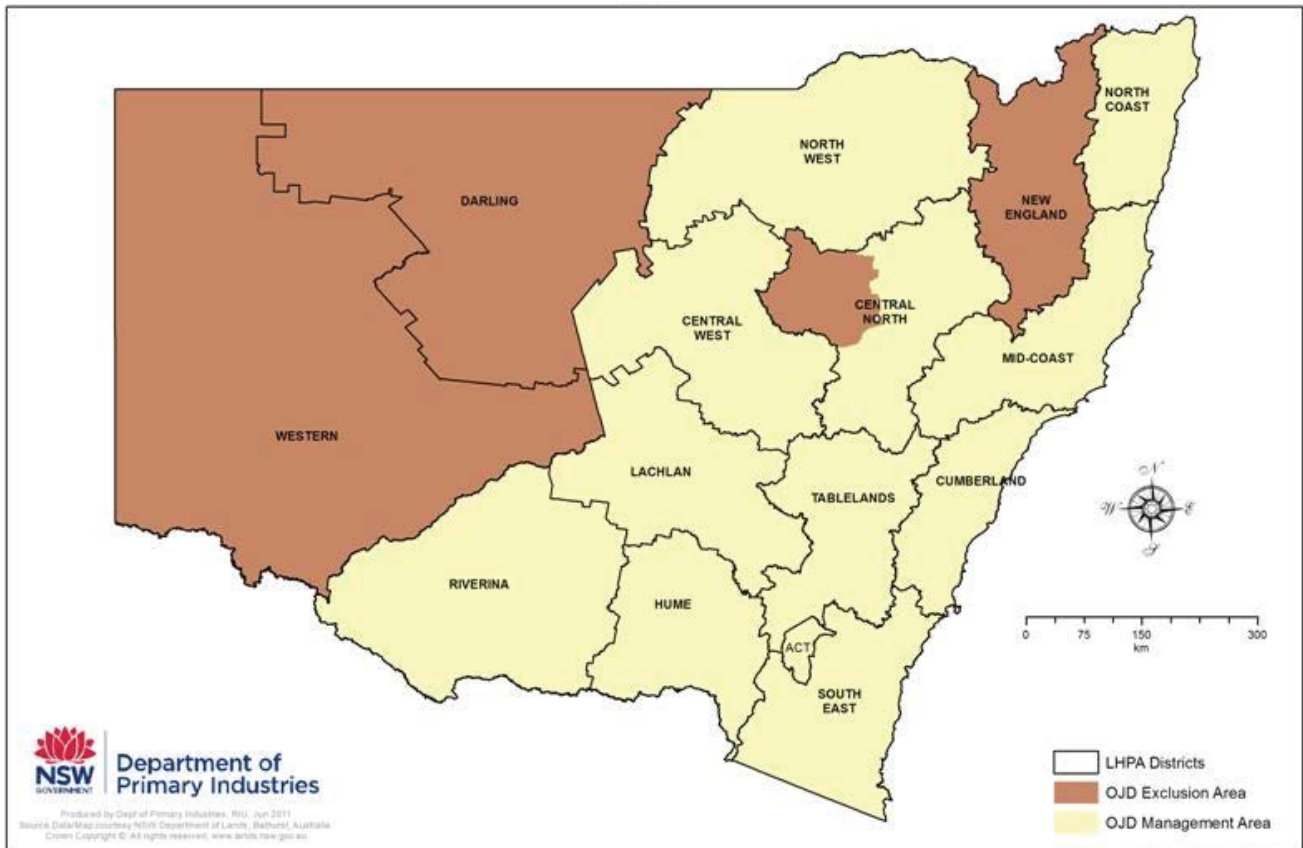
##### Protected Area

The Protected Area consists of the following areas of land:

1. the whole of the lands contained in the following Livestock Health and Pest Districts:
  - (a) Western Livestock Health and Pest District;
  - (b) Darling Livestock Health and Pest District; and
  - (c) New England Livestock Health and Pest District
2. that portion of the lands contained within the Central North Livestock Health and Pest District having the boundaries described in the proclamation titled “Alteration of Boundaries of Coonabarabran Pastures Protection District” published in *New South Wales Government Gazette* No. 108 of 26 July 1985.

The Protected Area is as indicated by the dark shaded area described as the OJD Exclusion Area in the map below.

#### NSW OJD Exclusion and Management Areas 2011



Note:

Contravening a provision of this Notification is an offence under section 20H (1) (a) of the Act. The maximum penalty for such an offence is \$11,000.

A map of the ‘OJD Exclusion Area’ and the ‘OJD Management Area’ as regards Johne’s disease in sheep, is published on the NSW Department of Primary Industries’ website at [www.ojdinfo.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ojdinfo.nsw.gov.au).

The course of action to be taken by the owner or occupier of the land in the 'OJD Exclusion Area', and in the 'OJD Management Area', and by the owner of the sheep, the owner's agent, or by any other person in charge of the sheep in each of those areas shall be as ordered by an inspector.

1825-OJD is the NSW Department of Primary Industries' reference. For further information, contact the Department of Primary Industries on 02 6938 1654.

Dated this 12th day of February 2012.

KATRINA ANN HODGKINSON, M.P.,  
Minister for Primary Industries

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