

**SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS
GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY THE 18th OF JUNE 2019**

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1. AC data updates

The paper presented to NASC was forwarded to the group, the item is now closed.

2. Electronic Classer Specifications

The standard has not been finalised however progress has been made with several meetings held. A comment was made that the working group needs to commit to meet soon to finalise the standard, waiting until the next meeting was not preferable.

3. Document Originator

A review of document originator use in the OZDE network was forwarded by Talman.

A proposal was made to remove the definition of document originator from the notes in the documents and only have the definition in the data dictionary. The wording will also be updated to be more consistent with current use.

4. Summary Paper Suggestions Review

AWTA has discussed internally, the impact implementation could have maintaining two separate formats would be substantial.

The issue was raised at NCWSBA however there was no feedback from the Board.

A full business case would be required which would include costing, timing and business impact studies to be completed for any changes to be recommended.

It was noted that if nothing was done this could have severe implications for data transfers within the wool industry. Issues such as new security requirements could prevent data from being transferred. Also, it was noted that JSON could be the standard that most parties use in the future.

5. Pack Condition

The new pack condition field was made mandatory however this field will not be used in NZ, the field will be made optional in NZ.

A request was made to confirm with David Cother post meeting if the field is required to be mandatory in Australia.

Post meeting note from David Cother: Pack Condition should remain mandatory in Australia. The business rules associated with this field have been through a NASC process so any review would need to go through this group. If WIEDPUG has concerns it is welcome to write to NASC for consideration at its next meeting in August.

6. Age Fields

The definition of the age fields was requested to be updated to be more accurate.

It was suggested that weight note should not be used in the new definition as it is not a term used by all handling agents, mob/sale lot would be preferable.

It was noted that very few people use sale lot, weight note would be more widely used, the new definition will include a combination of both terms.

The new terms are:

Age From: Youngest Age Code in the mob/sale lot (weight note) as per the National Wool Declaration (NWD) Age Shearing Codes.

Age To: Oldest Age Code in the mob/sale lot (weight note) as per the National Wool Declaration (NWD) Age Shearing Codes.

7. Catalogue Symbols

A request was made to remove the catalogue symbol field and update the catalogue symbols field to reference the AWEX website for the list of codes to remove confusion.

It was also noted that the field definition needed to be cleaned up, in the documents the length is 6 and in the data dictionary it is 8. Also, there is duplication for the field in the notes for the AC document, this will need to be cleaned up as well.

8. WIEDPUG Terms of Reference

The policy working group has met to update the WIEDPUG Terms of Reference. The update was made with legal advice received from a member of the AWTA legal staff.

Intent is to make it more transparent as to the differences between members and observers and also give the document more clarity.

It was presented for reference and to ask for any feedback. The intent is for the document to be presented to FAWO for approval. There is no change to how WIEDPUG operates, just to give it more structure.

It was noted observers have no voting rights. It was also noted that there was a change in the indemnity clause for both Members and Observers.

9. Other Business

Responsibilities of Working Groups

There are currently several working groups, to improve the reporting and visibility of the working groups future minutes will include a summary of working group participants along with nominating a working group leader.

As per recent changes to agenda item rules any agenda items without updates will be required to justify why the item stays on the agenda.

E-speci Project

An enquiry was made as to whether the e-speci standard would be stand-alone, separate to the current handbook so it can be released independently.

It would most likely be a separate section of the current handbook with a point release of the handbook made.

The process would be that the working group would put forward a recommendation and if necessary an ad hoc meeting would be held to finalise the standard.

10. Next Meeting

9:00am AEDT Tuesday the 15th of October 2019

9:30am AEDT Tuesday the 4th of February 2020 (Face-to-Face at AWTA Melbourne)

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 21st of April 2020

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 16th of June 2020