

National Wool Declaration (NWD) Definitions/Supporting Explanations

Please use the most accurate definition that applies to each mob. Mobs treated with Liquid Nitrogen must be declared as LN.

Definitions

Non Mulesed (NM)	Sheep in this mob <u>have not</u> been mulesed [^] or treated with liquid nitrogen [#] .
Liquid Nitrogen (LN)	Sheep in this mob <u>have been</u> treated with liquid nitrogen [#] .
Analgesic &/or Anaesthetic (AA)	Sheep in this mob have been mulesed [^] <u>with</u> the use of an analgesic &/or anaesthetic product registered by APVMA.
Mulesed (M)	Sheep in this mob have been mulesed [^] <u>without</u> the use of an analgesic &/or anaesthetic product registered by APVMA.
Ceased Mulesing (CM)	No lambs born on this property in the last 12 months have been mulesed [^] . No mulesed [^] (or AA) ewes or wethers have been purchased in the last 12 months. <i>Note:</i> For a property to be eligible for CM status, the answer to both CM property questions must be No.

Supporting Explanations

[^]Mulesing	The removal of skin from the breech <u>and/or</u> tail of a sheep using mulesing shears. <i>Source:</i> Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Sheep prepared by Animal Health Australia, V1.0 2016.
[#]Liquid Nitrogen	The application of liquid nitrogen where ultra-low temperatures are used to degenerate tissue and result in the removal of skin from the breech <u>and/or</u> tail of a sheep.
Mobs of Mixed Status	For <u>mobs of mixed status</u> , use the lowest applicable status according to this hierarchy, NM > LN > AA > M > ND. For example, declare AA for a mob containing NM and AA sheep, or declare M for a mob containing LN and M sheep.


Shedding Breeds Definitions

Shedding Breeds	Breeds that shed fibre (e.g. Afrikaner, Australian White, Awassi, Damara, Black Headed and White Dorper, Karakul, Meatmaster, Persian, Van Rooy, Wiltipoll, Wiltshire Horn).
Contact with Shedding Breeds	Mated to, or run together since the previous shearing, with shedding breed sheep or their crosses (includes lambs from shedding breed sheep or their crosses).

Completing the NWD

- The Owner/Manager is responsible for ensuring the NWD is completed correctly.
- To complete the NWD:
 - Answer the two Ceased Mulesing Property questions.
 - Record the PIC.
 - Complete the Mob Details (Mob No., Mob Status, Age/Shearing Code, Breed Code, Sex Code, Contact with Shedding Breeds and Shearing/Crutching History).
 - The Owner/Manager must Sign and Date the Declaration.
- The Wool Classer will complete the remainder of the Classer's Specification, including filling out the Bale Range for each Mob, and the Mob Numbers for all lines of wool.

NWD Codes

Age/Shearing Code	Breed Code	Sex Code
1 st Shearing	Merino	Ewes E
2 nd shearing to 2 years	Afrino	Wethers W
3 years	SAMM	Rams R
4 years	Corriedale	Mixed (E/W/R) M
5 years	Polwarth	
6, 7, 8 years	Crossbred	
Mixed age, e.g. 4 to 6 years	Downs	
	Shedding Breeds	
NWD V10.0, October 2023		Carpet Wool CW

Work, Health & Safety

In addition to completing this NWD, the Owner/Manager is also responsible for participation in the Integrity Program, which includes random desk audits and on farm inspections. The Owner/Manager acknowledges and agrees that they will participate in the on farm inspection in a way that is compliant with health and safety rules, and will advise AWEX if a scheduled inspection would be unsafe.