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## Export advisory notice 2021/07

# Publication of updated Approved Arrangement guidelines to support new export legislation

Species: All

Countries: All

## Attention

- Accredited Veterinarians (AAVs)
- Australian Livestock Exporters' Council
- Department Officers
- LiveCorp
- Livestock Exporters
- Meat and Livestock Australia
- Registered Establishment Occupiers

## Purpose

To advise stakeholders that the department has published an updated version of the [Approved Arrangement Guidelines for the Export of Livestock](#) (AA guidelines) to reflect recent changes to export legislation.

## Key points

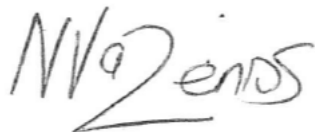
- Updates to the AA guidelines include:
  - Replacing legislative references to reflect new export legislation, including the *Export Control Act 2020* and the *Export Control (Animals) Rules 2021*.
  - Re-phrasing terminology and definitions to align with the new legislation, for example registered establishments and accredited veterinarians.
  - Removal of Australian Standards for the Export of Livestock version number references.
  - Instructions to contact the department for guidance on how to apply for a management plan for camelids by sea, deer by sea, llama by air, and treatment onto trucks for feeder cattle to Israel by sea.

Note: The above changes to the AA guidelines should not impact an exporter's approved arrangement (AA).

- Exporters operating under an AA are not required to update their AA to reflect the new export legislation, until such time that the exporter applies for any variation to their AA.
- These updates to the AA guidelines were published concurrently with the changes advised in [EAN 2021-06](#).
  - [EAN 2021-06](#) was published to advise stakeholders that a further change to the AA guidelines has been made, to update management plan requirements for penning heavy cattle and buffalo exported by sea.

## Background

- On 28 March 2021, the department's new export legislation came into force. References to the *Export Control Act 1982*, the *Export Control (Animals) Order 2004*, the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Standards) Order 2005* and the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry Act 1997* have been replaced by the *Export Control Act 2020* and the *Export Control (Animals) Rules 2021* where applicable.
- Approved arrangements describe the operations which, when correctly applied by a livestock export business (the exporter), will effectively manage the preparation, and enable certification of livestock exported from Australia.
- ASEL sets the minimum animal health and welfare requirements the livestock export industry must meet to prepare and export livestock from Australia. The current version that exporters must comply with is [ASEL 3.1](#).



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