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Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

(ABN: 24 113 085 695)

Return of Forest Growers Levy

****IMPORTANT – You can lodge your Forest Growers Levy Return Form online ****

The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources - Levies has streamlined the process for lodgement of Levy Returns through the new Levies Online system. The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources - Levies preferred method of lodging returns is online as it enables real time accurate processing of returns and access to online return history. All relevant information, including registration, can be located at www.agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/levies/lodging_returns_and_paying_levies/leviesonline.

For inquiries or assistance relating to the lodgement of your return through the Levies Online System, please call your state office. If you have a technical inquiry, please call the Levies Online Helpdesk on **1800 022 384**.

Preparation of returns

Where the return is being completed by hand please use BLOCK LETTERS and do not use pencil.

When the address section at the top of the return is being completed a street address must be given in the business address section. If your postal address is a PO Box or Bag please insert these details in the postal address section. If both addresses are the same write the words 'as above' in the postal address section.

How to pay your levy

The best way to pay is by electronic funds transfer (EFT).

Bank: Reserve Bank of Australia

BSB: 092009

Account number: 111700

Account name: AFFA Official Administered Receipts

Reference: enter the prefix 'LRS' followed by your LRS account number and your business name

For example, LRS **12345 AZ Wholesale**

Declaration

The declaration on the return form must be completed and signed by:

- In the case of an individual – that person;
- In the case of a body corporate – a company director, company secretary, or a principal officer in the body corporate;
- In the case of a partnership – one of the partners.

Lodgement Date

Quarterly Return:

The return together with any payment is due within 28 days after the end of each quarter. For example the return and payment for the quarter ending 30 June (i.e. for the months of April, May and June) is due on or before the 28 July.

Annual Return:

The return together with any payment is due on or before 28 August. For example the return and payment for the 2015-2016 levy year is due on or before 28 August 2016.

A person is exempt from the requirement to lodge quarterly returns for a levy year, and may lodge them annually instead, if that person pays the Forest and Wood Products Levy and Export Charge and has an exemption to lodge that levy/charge annually instead of quarterly.

A person may apply for an exemption from the requirement to lodge quarterly returns for a levy year and, lodge them annually instead, if that person has reasonable grounds for believing that the total amount of levy for which the person will be liable in that levy year will be less than \$1,000.

Please contact your nearest Department of Agriculture and Water Resources - Levies office to ascertain if you qualify as an annual payer.

Penalties

Where levy/export charge is paid late, penalty will be payable at the rate of 2% per month compounding on the sum of the unpaid amounts, including penalties already accrued.



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Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991,
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act 1999 and associated legislation.

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Business name		LRS account number
Business address (not a PO Box or Bag)		
	Postcode	Quarter ended Levy number 082
Postal address (if different to above)		
	Postcode	or Year ended Levy number 083
Business identifying number (ACN, ABN, etc. if applicable)		30/6/20

Section 1: Forest Growers Levy (excludes quantities reported in Section 2)

Type	Category	(i) Total volume of logs received or produced (m ³)	(ii) Exempt logs* (m ³)	(i)-(ii) = (iii) Quantity of leviable logs (m ³)	(iv) Levy Rate (cents/m ³)	(iii) x (iv) Levy payable (\$)
Plantation Logs	Exotic Softwood	19a	19b	19	10.5 cents/m ³	\$ A
	Other	20a	20b	20	5.5 cents/m ³	\$ B
Other Logs		16a	16b	16	5 cents/m ³	\$ C
SECTION 1 SUB TOTAL (A+B+C)						\$

Exemption: *Levy is not payable on:

- logs used by the producer for domestic purposes
- products and by-products of processing the logs used by the operator of a mill for domestic purposes
- logs produced from trees that were grown on a farm operated by the operator of a mill and the products and by-products of processing the logs for use on that farm
- logs processed for producing fuel wood
- logs produced either as a result of landscaping or after removing trees that were safety hazard and which were processed at the site of production
- logs processed at a mobile mill that is not permanently sited and are processed for the purposes of producing timber products that are not chip or pulp and for which the amount of levy payable by the processor in a financial year would be \$100 or less, or
- logs that are owned by state or territory government bodies

Section 2: State and Territory voluntary (levy equivalent) contributions paid

Type	Quantity of logs on which levy equivalent is paid (m ³)	Amount paid (\$)
Plantation Logs	17	\$ D
Other Logs	18	\$ E
Note: State and Territory bodies may choose to pay their voluntary contributions direct to FWPA.		TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E) \$

Declaration: I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information contained on this return form and any attachment is correct in every essential detail.

"Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence"

Full name of declarant (Please print)	Mr/Mrs/Dr/Ms/Miss
Signature and date	/ /20
Designation	

Contact officer details	Full name (Please print)	Mr/Mrs/Dr/Ms/Miss	
	Phone number	()	Facsimile number
		()	()
	Email address		

Method of payment (please tick) Cheque EFT ► Date deposited / /20

* Please note: The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources - Levies does not issue receipts.

OFFICE USE ONLY

On completion, please forward return together with payment to:

Department of Agriculture and Water Resources - Levies
 Locked Bag 4488
 KINGSTON ACT 2604
 OR email to Levies.Management@agriculture.gov.au
 OR fax to 1800 609 150

For further enquiries contact the department's levies office in your state or territory toll free on:

ACT, NSW & QLD (Sydney) 1800 625 103
 SA & NT (Adelaide) 1800 814 961
 TAS, VIC & WA (Melbourne) 1800 683 839

Date entered
Return Number
Signed

Information about Forest Logs Producers

Name of forestry processor, first purchaser, buying agent or selling agent who deals in plantation or other logs

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Business identifying number (ACN, ABN, etc. if applicable)

LRS account number

Quarter/Year Ended Year

Producer's ABN or ACN	Full Name	Postal Address	Postcode	Type/Category	Quantity of leviable logs (m ³)	Levy paid (\$)
				Plantation – Exotic Softwood		
				Plantation - Other		
				Other Logs		
				Plantation – Exotic Softwood		
				Plantation - Other		
				Other Logs		
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				Plantation - Other		
				Other Logs		

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Sub Total for this page

Plantation – Exotic Softwood		
Plantation - Other		
Other Logs		

The total quantity of leviable logs (m³) and levy paid (\$) should match the sums of the amounts in **Section 1** of your return form.

TOTAL

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Privacy Notice

'Personal information' means any information or opinion about an identified, or reasonably identifiable, individual.

The collection of personal information by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (the department) in relation to this Return Form is authorised by the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991* (the Act) for the purpose of collecting levy information. If you do not provide the relevant personal information requested in this application, you will be in breach of the Act and the department will be required to take the relevant action.

Personal information may be disclosed to other Australian agencies, including industry bodies and levy recipient organisations, and persons or organisations where necessary for these purposes, provided the disclosure is consistent with relevant laws, in particular the *Privacy Act 1988*. Your personal information will be used and stored in accordance with the Privacy Principles.

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To contact the department about your personal information or to make a complaint:

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Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

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