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Plant Export Operations – Volume 6A: Pests, Diseases and Contaminants of Grain and Plant Products (excluding horticulture)

Purpose

The Plant Export Operations Manual (PEOM) Volume 6 Part A: Pests, Diseases and Contaminants of Grain and Plant Products (excluding horticulture) has been updated and is accessible on the PEOM resources webpage.

Background

PEOM is a procedural reference providing assistance in achieving nationally consistent export certification processes which meet importing country requirements and Australian plant export legislative requirements. The tolerance limits incorporated recommendations from the Grain Ministerial Task Force. PEOM should be read in conjunction with the *Export Control (Plants and Plant Products) Order 2011* and relevant Work Instructions.

Key issues

1. The following key amendments have been made in PEOM Volume 6A:
 - Tolerances for live field pest species (non-injurious pests), ergot, *Datura* species and rodents and their waste.
2. The following procedural resource will come into effect on 26 October 2012:
 - PEOM Volume 6 Part A: Pests, Diseases and Contaminants of Grain and Plant Products (excluding horticulture) (<http://www.daff.gov.au/aqis/export/plants-plant-products/plantexportsmanual/volume-6a>).
3. From 29 October 2012 Authorised Officer candidates will be assessed against the above resources.

Exporter's responsibilities

1. Exporters of grain and plant products (excluding horticulture) should familiarise themselves with PEOM Volume 6A prior to presenting prescribed plant products (excluding horticulture) for export.

Authorised Officer Responsibilities

1. Authorised Officers are to ensure they are familiar and comply with PEOM Volume 6A prior to inspecting grain and plant products for export.

For any further details please contact Grain & Seed Export program on (02) 6272 3229 or grain.export@daff.gov.au or contact your local Regional Plant Export Manager.

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