



## INDUSTRY ADVICE NOTICE - 2013/14

### Wheat to Iran – Certifying Freedom from *Striga* spp

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#### Purpose

To inform industry and the Authorised Officers of changes to Phytosanitary requirements for Australia wheat exports to Iran and associated cases on the Manual of Importing Country Requirements (MICoR).

#### Background

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) officers were provided a list of pests of quarantine concern to Iran during a meeting with the National Plant Protection Organisation of Iran in September 2012. This list identified five species of 'Witch Weed' (*Striga* species) as pests of quarantine concern to Iran.

DAFF Plant Biosecurity Australia has advised that all *Striga* spp. of quarantine concern to Iran are not known to occur in Australia.

#### Key Points

Australian consignments of wheat exported to Iran are to be endorsed as free from *Striga* spp without the need to provide or cite area freedom certificates or laboratory certificates of analysis.

#### Instructions

Wheat for Consumption: [http://www.daff.gov.au/micor/plants/iran\\_ir/wheat](http://www.daff.gov.au/micor/plants/iran_ir/wheat)

Wheat for stockfeed: [http://www.daff.gov.au/micor/plants/iran\\_ir/wheat2](http://www.daff.gov.au/micor/plants/iran_ir/wheat2)

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