GUIDELINE

Quality system recognition of processed plant products for export

Direction to staff
This document is instructional material for the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (the department) under its Practice Statement Framework. All staff must comply with it.

Direction to authorised officers
In accordance with the deed of obligations, external authorised officers must perform services in accordance with any lawful directions or instructions issued by the department.

Direction to industry
This guideline outlines the requirements for quality systems recognition. All parties with roles and responsibilities explicit in this guideline and legislation must comply with those requirements.

Summary of main points
This document outlines the policy and procedures for:
- applying for quality system recognition
- maintaining quality system recognition.

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Purpose of this document

This document details the policy and processes supporting the department’s Quality System Recognition (QSR).

Definitions

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<td>Authorised officer (AO)</td>
<td>A person appointed under section 20 of the Export Control Act 1982 to conduct export activities on behalf of the department.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> An AO can be departmental (that is, employed by the department) or external.</td>
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<td>Client</td>
<td>The exporter, exporter’s representative or person responsible for plants and plant products for export.</td>
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<td>Establishment Register (ER) database</td>
<td>Departmental database that contains the status and details of all registered establishments.</td>
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<td>Export compliance record (ECR)</td>
<td>Record of the findings and result of a phytosanitary inspection of plants and plant products for export.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> This record can be electronic in the Plant Exports Management System (PEMS) or manual on a PE101 form.</td>
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<td>Export Registered Establishment (ERE)</td>
<td>An ERE is a premises registered with the department to export prescribed plant products.</td>
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<td>Inspection authorised officer (Inspection AO)</td>
<td>An AO approved to inspect plants, plant products, empty containers or empty bulk vessels for export or supervise phytosanitary treatments.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> This role can be performed by departmental and external AOs.</td>
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<td>Plant Export Operations Manual</td>
<td>A webpage maintained by the department that outlines the policy and processes for exporting plants and plant products from Australia. It also lists instructional material, forms and user guides related to the export certification process.</td>
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<td>Processed products</td>
<td>Products that have been processed in a way that mitigates the risk of live pests and contaminants being present in the final product.</td>
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<td>Quality System</td>
<td>An independently audited system that includes sampling and inspection procedures to control the quality of products.</td>
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<td>Quality System Recognition (QSR)</td>
<td>The approval of an establishment that has an audited quality system that effectively manages phytosanitary risks of products prepared for export to meet departmental and importing country requirements.</td>
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<td>Securely packaged</td>
<td>Sealed packaging that eliminates, or sufficiently reduces the likelihood of infestation or contamination of the product to the satisfaction of the department.</td>
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Legislative framework

The following list outlines the legislation that applies to QSR:

- *Export Control Act 1982*
- Export Control (Orders) Regulations 1982
- Export Control (Prescribed Goods – General) Orders 2005
- Export Control (Plant and Plant Products) Order 2011
- Export Control (Fees) Orders 2001

Roles and responsibilities

The following table outlines the roles and responsibilities undertaken in this guideline.

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| Audit Services Group              | • Conducts an initial audit of an establishment.  
                                 | • Undertakes annual periodic audits of EREs  
                                 | o writes up audit reports.                                                        |
| Business Systems Program          | Maintains ER database that details QSR approval.                                                                                               |
| Client                            | • Applying to the department for QSR using Reference:  
                                 | Application for Approval of Quality System Recognition  
                                 | • Maintaining the quality system/s including appropriate records in their ERE.  
                                 | • Maintaining valid ERE registration and upholding an ERE audit score of 80% or higher.  
                                 | • Request approval for any changes to the approved processing methods or quality system/s.                                                  |
| Grain and Seed Exports Program    | • Assessing applications and advising the client of application outcomes within 15 business days.  
                                 | • Coordinating initial and ongoing audits with audit services, as required.                                                                  |
| Inspection AO                     | • Sighting the consignment for export.  
                                 | • Verifying the consignment matches the documentation (Notice of Intention, Request for Permit).  
                                 | • Verifying the packaging is secure and sealed.  
                                 | • Completing the export compliance record.  
                                 | • Passing/failing the consignment.                                                                                                           |
| Independent auditor               | Undertakes annual audit and reporting of site’s third party quality system.                                                                    |
Quality systems recognition for plant exports

The department recognises that in the preparation of processed and securely packaged plant products for export, EREs may effectively manage phytosanitary risks through the quality systems implemented.

At QSR approved ERE’s, goods produced are only required to pass a verification inspection by the AO (after processing and packaging), in order to comply with requirements for export certification.

Inspection by an authorised officer

- Processed plant products must be inspected by an AO that has been appropriately trained, deemed competent and appointed by the department for the job function related to the product being inspected (see Reference: Table of authorised officer job functions).
- Inspections of processed plant products must be carried out in accordance with Attachment 5 of the Work Instruction: Inspection of prescribed grain and plant products.
- Inspections must be recorded on an approved ECR or in PEMS in accordance with the Work Instruction: Completing plant export compliance, approval and running records.
  Important: The allocated QSR number of the establishment must be entered into the comments field of this document.

Work health and safety

Inspection AOs must:

- comply with applicable Commonwealth, state and territory WHS legislation
- comply with their employer’s WHS policies and procedures
- read and be familiar with the Reference: Work health and safety in the plant export environment
- not enter work sites unless it is safe, they are wearing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and have considered any WHS hazards
- comply with site-specific requirements, unless they assess the requirements as placing them at risk, in which case they must take reasonable action to ensure their safety
- continually assess the possible risks while performing their duties.

Personal protective equipment

- Inspection AOs must wear, and use correctly, all required PPE.
- PPE must be in good order and fit for purpose.

Care and maintenance of equipment

- AOs must maintain, store and use their PPE in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and any relevant Australian Standard and requirements of the AO’s employer.
- The AO must regularly inspect the PPE and inspection equipment and remove from service if the PPE and/or inspection equipment is damaged, broken or passed its use-by date.

Note: See Reference: Plant exports guide – equipment for more information on the types of PPE needed for inspection of quality systems.

WHS reporting requirements

- All WHS incidents, near misses and any hazards must be reported to the department.
- Departmental AOs must record all WHS incidents, near misses, and any hazards in Aurion.
- External AOs must report any hazards, near misses or incidents to Plant Export Training.
Essential inspection equipment

- Inspection AOs must have the minimum equipment as outlined in the relevant work instruction.
- Inspection equipment must be in good order and fit for purpose.
- Departmental AOs must carry their departmental identity cards at all times.

Note: See Reference: Plant exports guide – equipment for more information on the types of equipment needed for the inspection of quality systems.

Prerequisites for quality system recognition

Registration

- The establishment must be registered with the department as an ERE.
- New EREs must demonstrate a high level of compliance over two years, with three successful audits before they are eligible for QSR.

Note: Detailed information regarding registration and registered establishment requirements is outlined in the ‘Establishments’ tab of the Plant Export Operation Manual.

Product processing and packaging

- Products must be processed to a point where phytosanitary risks have been mitigated.
- Following processing, goods must be securely packaged.

Important: Packaging must eliminate, or sufficiently reduce the risk of infestation or contamination.

Quality system

- Each ERE must have an independently audited quality system/s that includes sampling and inspection procedures that meet or exceed departmental and importing country phytosanitary requirements.

Note: Sampling and inspection procedures can be found on the Plant Export Operation Manual under the relevant product inspection. Importing country requirements can be obtained from the importing country authority.

- The quality system must be able to demonstrate a nil tolerance for live pests and contaminants.
- The quality system must be audited by a professional, certified third-party auditor, external to the client (independent auditor).
  - Independent audits must be fully documented and made available to the department during the assessment and audit process and upon request.

Equipment use and maintenance

- Any equipment used in the processing of the product must be cleaned and maintained to prevent infestation and contamination.
- All maintenance must be documented with records maintained for two years.

  Note: A visual inspection of equipment and maintenance records may be required for audit purposes.

Documented systems

All systems must be documented and version controlled.
Applying for quality system recognition

Application requirements

The client must provide the following information with their application. Information must be on a company letterhead, dated for version control, and signed by a person listed in management and control on the export registration premises.

Layout of the establishment

- A plan of the establishment showing location of processing and packaging, equipment, storage areas (pre- and post-processing), receival and load-out areas.
- Product flow paths must be clearly indicated.
- Common conveying equipment and cross-over of product lines must be identified.

Details of the products

- A list of the products proposed for QSR.
- Details of the processing for each product that will mitigate the risk of live pests or contaminants that may have existed in the raw material.
- Details of how the processing limits future contamination and phytosanitary risks in each product.

Packaging and storage

- Description of the packaging material used, how it is sealed, including details on the type, weight and how it is secure from infestation of pests and contamination.
- Photographs of the packaging material used.
- Details of the storage facilities and how these areas are secured from ingress of rodents and other pests.
- If the product is consumer ready/shelf stable, the packaging must include the best before or shelf-life date.

Quality systems

- A list of the current quality systems in place, including the last assessment date, and certificate/s of currency.
- The independent audit schedule of each system.
- Description of how the quality systems meet or exceed the phytosanitary requirements for export in the establishment.
- The independent audit reports from the last two years for each quality system.
- Full outline of the traceability measures for the entire product processing flow path.

Organisational chart

An organisational chart showing key positions/areas of responsibility and occupants involved in the establishment, including staff that have been nominated as substitutes for these key positions.

Quality standards that are audited

A list of the standards included in each quality system that apply to the products, with an explanation of how the standards meet phytosanitary requirements. For example, standards should include, but are not limited to:

- food quality and safety
- equipment hygiene, maintenance and inspection
- sampling procedure and product inspection
- flowpath hygiene and inspection
- storage hygiene, pest control and inspection
- sampling procedure
- sampling rate of at least 2.25 litres per 33.33 tonnes as stated in the Export Control (Plant and Plant Products) Order 2011.

Initial audit

- A combined ERE and QSR audit (initial audit) of the establishment must be conducted by the department’s Audit Services Group.
- The quality system must be audited against the requirements outlined in this guideline.

Application process

The following table outlines the process for applying for quality system recognition.

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<td>The application is completed and submitted to the Grain and Seed Exports Program.</td>
<td>Client</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>The application is reviewed to ensure all required information is present.</td>
<td>Grain and Seed Exports Program</td>
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**Note:** Initial assessment and response is 5 business days.

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<th>Then...</th>
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| complete                  | • a letter of conditional approval is sent to the client detailing the systems approved under QSR, and the establishment’s allocated QSR number  
  • **continue to stage 3.** 
  **Note:** The QSR establishment may operate with a conditional approval until either approved or revoked. |
| incomplete                | • request more information from client  
  • **repeat stage 2.** |
| does not meet the prerequisite requirements | • the application is not approved  
  • the application is returned to the client with an explanation of why approval was not given.  
  • process ends here. |

3. The establishment’s conditional QSR approval is recorded in the Grain Export Listed Entities listing on the department’s Plant Export Operations team site. | Grain and Seed Exports Program |
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<td>4.</td>
<td>An initial audit of the establishment is conducted.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td><strong>When the establishment’s periodic audit falls…</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Then…</strong></td>
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<td>within six months of the conditional approval letter</td>
<td>the audit schedule proceeds as normal.</td>
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<td>outside six months from the date of the conditional approval letter</td>
<td>the audit is rescheduled to accommodate the QSR audit.</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>The department is immediately notified of any changes to the quality system or operations of the establishment that may impact on the phytosanitary status of the commodity.</td>
<td>Client</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>The initial audit report is provided to the Grain and Seed Exports Program.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>The audit report is reviewed to determine whether the quality system meets the requirements of this guideline.</td>
<td>Grain and Seed Exports Program</td>
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<td><strong>When the establishment…</strong></td>
<td><strong>Then…</strong></td>
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<td>passes the initial audit</td>
<td>the QSR approval is confirmed.</td>
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|       | fails the initial audit | • the QSR is not approved  
|       | | • the client is provided with a letter detailing reasons why approval was not given  
|       | | • process ends here. |
| **Note:** The department retains the right to revoke approval for an establishment’s QSR at any time, in line with the QSR policy. | |
| 8.    | The QSR approval is recorded as a Registered Operation for the registered establishment on the ER database, which in turn is printed on the Certificate of Registration. | Business Systems Program |
Maintaining quality system recognition

The department must be notified immediately of any changes to the quality system or operations of the establishment that may impact on the phytosanitary status of the commodity.

Documented inventory system

- The establishment must maintain records and traceability for all receivables, treatments, load out and operational processes through the facility for a period of two years.
- A defined identity preservation system must be in place for all products.

Routine sanitation and treatment details

- The establishment must maintain records of routine cleaning, sanitation, waste removal and pest control measures for a period of two years.
- If the product has been treated, the establishment must maintain records of treatment certificates. The treatment certificates must meet the requirements as per the Work Instruction: Validating supporting documents for the plant exports.

Sampling system

- The standards or systems implemented by the establishment must include a clear sampling and inspection process.
- The sampling collection system must
  - deliver a representative sample at the rate of at least 2.25 litres per 33.33 tonnes of product
  - be independently audited
  - if automated, have calibration records.

Packaging and storage

The product must be securely packaged and stored in such a manner to ensure the phytosanitary status of the commodity is maintained.

Note: Packaging approved under QSR is determined by an evaluation of the systems in place, security of the packaging, and the remaining re-infestation risks after packaging, as assessed by the department.

The following table outlines the export compliance period based on the size and type of packaging used.

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<th>Period of time</th>
<th>Example products</th>
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<td>Hermetically or vacuum sealed, poly/plastic or aluminium flushed foil packets/bags</td>
<td>Sub 1 kg (retail)–15 kg</td>
<td>12 months</td>
<td>Macadamia kernels</td>
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<td>Bagged—sealed woven poly, plastic or paper bags (multiwall/reinforced)</td>
<td>10–100 kg</td>
<td>90 days</td>
<td>Flour, gluten, starch, bread mix</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bagged—sealed woven poly (single layer)</td>
<td>10–100 kg</td>
<td>60 days</td>
<td>Flour, stockfeed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bulk bags (multiple layers)</td>
<td>up to 1000 kg</td>
<td>60 days</td>
<td>Macadamia kernels</td>
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Flowpath inspection

The annual independent audit must involve an inspection of the product flow path consistent with the requirements in the relevant work instruction.

Note: This requirement means an AO will not need to conduct a separate flow path inspection.

Periodic audit of plant export registered establishment

- Periodic (annual) ERE audits, with a QSR audit component must be conducted by the department to monitor compliance.
- Audits are carried out in line with the department’s Volume 17: Audit Policy.
- The audit of registered establishments is subject to fee-for-service as per the departmental charging guidelines, 2017.
- A QSR approval must be incorporated as part of the documentation for the establishment approval and must be audited at the same time and frequency as the export registration periodic audit.
- The client must provide a copy of independent quality system audit results to the department.
- The establishment must maintain an ERE audit score of 80 per cent or higher with no issued critical or major hygiene and/or traceability corrective actions in order to maintain QSR status. Failure to comply will trigger a review of QSR approval.

Non-compliance ratings

The following table outlines the non-compliance ratings given at periodic audits.

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<td>Critical</td>
<td>Relates to failure of the approved system to maintain phytosanitary integrity.</td>
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<td>Major</td>
<td>Relating to compliance differences or failures relative to the approved system. They are deliberate or inadvertent actions or contraventions of scheme requirements that may affect the export of compliant prescribed goods.</td>
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<td>Minor</td>
<td>Relating to changed or absent elements in the operators QSR administration not provided to GSEP, or different to those approved.</td>
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Corrective action requests

- A departmental auditor may issue corrective action requests (CARs) directly during an audit, or recommend to the Secretary, or a delegate of, to
  - suspend or revoke QSR approval
  - suspend a particular export operation for which approval was granted
  - determine the period of suspension based on period of time necessary for site to correct issued non-compliances.

Note: When a QSR approval is suspended or revoked, the ERE may be able to continue to export but will require the full AO inspection procedure to be followed.
Suspension or revocation of QSR

- The department must provide written notice to a representative of the establishment regarding a suspension or revocation.
- If reinstated, the establishment will be audited within three months or during the following quarter.

Note: Failure of the follow-up audit may result in the revocation of registration by the delegate.

Voluntary suspension of QSR

If an occupier of an ERE with approved QSR advises the department in writing that QSR-related export operations will not be carried out for a period of time, the department may suspend the QSR approval for such period.

Appeals policy

If an establishment is suspended as a result of an issued critical or major hygiene and/or traceability corrective action, there is no appeals process. The establishment will be suspended for a clearly outlined period of time to rectify the issue, or have their QSR revoked, on the review and decision of GSEP.

The following table outlines the process for a periodic audit of an establishment with QSR.

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<td>An entry meeting is held to discuss scope of periodic audit and QSR requirements.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>• Documentation and records are given to the departmental auditor in relation to hygiene, pest control, waste management, maintenance systems and product/consignment traceability. • Evidence of compliance with quality system, such as independent audit results, certificates and audit schedule, is also provided.</td>
<td>Client</td>
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<td>Note: The client may also provide any changes to the quality system or operations of the establishment that may impact on the phytosanitary status of the product at that time.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>The periodic audit is conducted: • documentation, records and other evidence of compliance are reviewed • the quality system is viewed in operation.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>An exit meeting is conducted where the audit findings are presented, non-compliances are identified and any further actions are explained.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td><strong>When non-compliances are...</strong></td>
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<td>identified</td>
<td><strong>continue to stage 5.</strong></td>
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<td>not identified</td>
<td>• the property passes the audit&lt;br&gt;• an audit report is completed and provided to the Grain and Seed Exports Program&lt;br&gt;• process stops here.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> Where a number of non-compliances are found at audit the auditor can defer the presentation of the findings.</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>A determination is made as to the seriousness of the non-compliance.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td><strong>When the non-compliance is...</strong></td>
<td><strong>Then...</strong></td>
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<td>not serious and urgent:</td>
<td>• a corrective action request is issued&lt;br&gt;• an audit report is completed and provided to the Grain and Seed Exports Program&lt;br&gt;• <strong>continue to stage 6.</strong></td>
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<td>• Minor (any issue including hygiene and/or traceability)&lt;br&gt;• Major (any issue except hygiene and/or traceability)</td>
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<td>serious and urgent:</td>
<td><strong>go to stage 8.</strong></td>
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<td>• Major (hygiene and/or traceability issues)&lt;br&gt;• Critical (all)</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>A written submission outlining how the corrective action request has been addressed is provided to AuSG/GSEP within 14 days of the notice.</td>
<td>Client</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>The written submission is reviewed and a determination is made whether to close out the corrective action request.</td>
<td>Audit Services Group</td>
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<td>closed out</td>
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<td><strong>continue to stage 8.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> evidence may be gathered via a follow-up visit to the property or where appropriate, determined remotely (for example, the manager may email evidence of their corrective action).</td>
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Record keeping

- Departmental officers must keep official files in accordance with the department’s record keeping policy. All documentation must be version controlled.
- Clients, registered establishments and AOs must retain documentation for a period of at least two years.

Related material

The following related material is available on the Plant Export Operations Manual:

- Volume 17: Audit policy
- Work Instruction: Validating supporting documents for plant exports
- Work Instruction: Inspection of prescribed grain and plant products
- Work Instruction: Completing plant export compliance, approval and running records
- Reference: Application for Approval of Quality System Recognition
- Reference: Plant exports guide – equipment
- Reference: Table of authorised officer job functions
- Reference: Work health and safety in the plant export environment

Contact information

- Authorised Officer Hotline: 1800 851 305
- Authorised Officer Program: PlantExportTraining@agriculture.gov.au
- Grain and Seed Exports Program: 02 6272 3229
- Grain.Export@agriculture.gov.au
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