



Deer Slaughter, Buffalo Slaughter and Buffalo Export Levy/Charge Monthly Return Form

Who should complete this return form	<p>Buffalo Slaughter - A processor, who in a month slaughtered buffalo for human consumption or buffalo were slaughtered for human consumption on the processor's behalf.</p> <p>Buffalo Export - An exporting agent, if the agent exported buffalo in a month or a producer, if the producer exported buffalo in a month for which an agent is not required to lodge a return in that month.</p> <p>Deer Slaughter - A proprietor at whose abattoir deer is slaughtered in a month.</p>
How to complete the return form	<p>Section A – enter full business name and address</p> <p>Section B – sign the declaration acknowledging that you have authority to act on behalf of the organisation, and if required, tick the box if you also declare that you have a 'reasonable excuse' for not providing the required levy payer information.</p> <p>Section C – enter total levy/charge amount and details</p> <p>Section D – enter levy payer details:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">the details of each producer who is liable to pay the levy or charge for the product for the return period.The total amount of levy or charge payable/paid in Sections D.1 – D.3 should be the same as the total of Section C. <p>Sections E to I - References.</p> <p>Do not complete this form if lodging return online at leviesonline.agriculture.gov.au/LRSOnline</p>
Mandatory fields	<p>Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory fields that must be completed in accordance with the Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991 and the Primary Industries Levies and Charges Regulations 1991.</p>
Declaration	<p>The declaration must be signed by, in the case of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">an individual – that persona body corporate – a company director, company secretary, or a principal officera partnership – one of the partners <p>or a person authorised in writing to act on behalf of any of the above.</p>
Due date	<p>Monthly return and payment must be lodged with the department within 28 days after the end of the month in which the export or slaughter took place.</p> <p>Example: for the month of January, the return and payment are due on or before 28 February.</p>
Late payments	<p>Late levy payments incur a penalty calculated daily at a compounding rate of 2% each month, including penalties already accrued, until the outstanding amount is paid in full.</p>
How to make a payment	<p>EFT (Preferred):</p> <p>Account name: DAFF OFFICIAL ADMINISTERED RECEIPTS ACCOUNT</p> <p>BSB: 092 009</p> <p>Account number: 111 700</p> <p>Reference: your 5-digit LRS account number and business name</p> <p>Cheque or Money Order made out to: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Levies</p>



How to lodge the return	Online: leviesonline.agriculture.gov.au/LRSOnline Email: levies.management@agriculture.gov.au Fax: 1800 609 150 Mail: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Levies Locked Bag 4488 KINGSTON ACT 2604 Note: Please do not mark private and confidential on the envelope
Contact us	Levies Management: 1800 020 619 (free call number) Email: levies.management@agriculture.gov.au



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SECTION A: Lodgement details

LRS account number	Month ended*
<i>Your LRS account number is required for account management purposes.</i>	
ABN*	ACN*
Full business name*	
Business address* (Not a PO Box)	
Postal address*	
Phone	Fax
Email	
Method of payment: EFT <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/>	Levy/Charge payable/paid* \$ <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Date deposited: ____/____/____	

SECTION B: Declaration

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

Note: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

It is a legislative requirement to provide, in respect of each levy payer to which the return relates, the following **levy payer information**: name, address, contact details (phone number and/or email addresses), ABN (if any) and ACN (if any). If you have **not** provided all the required levy payers' details you must declare below that you are unable to provide all or some of the levy payer information, but you have a **'reasonable excuse'** (refer to Section H of this form).

Title	First name*	Last name*

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I am authorised to sign this declaration as a director, secretary or principal officer of the relevant body corporate, a partner of the relevant partnership or am otherwise able to sign the declaration as an owner or individual authorised in writing to act on behalf of the business, body corporate or partnership as relevant.

I have not provided all levy payer information required under the *Primary Industries Levies and Collection regulations 1991* (Collection Regulations) and declare that I am unable to provide the levy payer information which is missing but that I have a reasonable excuse.

Signature*	Date*
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IMPORTANT: It is an offence of strict liability under subsection 24(1) of the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991* (Act) to refuse or fail to give a return or information that you are required to give in the Act. If you fail to provide the information required under sub regulations 10(4A) and (4B) of the Collection Regulations without a reasonable excuse, you may be subject to criminal prosecution.



SECTION C: Total levy/charge amount and details

LRS Account Number

Month Ended*

Deer slaughter

Product	Number slaughtered*	(i) Carcase weight (kg)*	(ii) Levy rate*	(i) x (ii) = Levy payable/paid* (a)
Deer slaughter – hot dressed			\$0.08 per kg [^]	\$
Deer slaughter – cold dressed			\$0.0806 per kg [^]	\$

[^] Levy rate for 'Deer slaughter – hot dressed' and 'Deer slaughter – cold dressed' includes National Residue Survey (NRS) excise levy at \$0.060 per kg

Product	(i) Number slaughtered*	(ii) Levy rate*	(i) x (ii) = Levy payable/paid* (b)
Deer slaughter –weight not determined		\$3.60 per head ^{^^}	\$

^{^^} Levy rate of \$3.60 for 'Deer slaughter – weight not determined' is calculated as the sum of the following:

- NRS levy of \$2.40 per head where carcase weight is not determined; and
- R&D levy of 2 cents per kilogram multiplied by deemed weight of 60 kilograms per carcase (\$1.20 per head).

Total deer slaughter levy payable/paid (A) = (a+b)	\$
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Buffalo slaughter

Product	(i) Number slaughtered	(ii) Number slaughtered on which levy is not payable (exempt/condemned)*	(i)-(ii)=(iii) Number on which levy is payable	(iv) Levy rate per head*	(iii) x (iv) = Levy payable/paid* (B)
Buffalo slaughter				\$9.60 ^{^^^}	\$

^{^^^} Levy rate for Buffalo slaughter includes NRS levy at \$5.00 per head.

Buffalo export

Product	(i) Number exported*	(ii) Charge rate per head*	(i) x (ii) = Charge payable/paid* (C)
Buffalo export		\$4.60	\$

Total

Total levy/charge payable/paid *(A+B+C)	\$
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Note: GST is not applied to Australian Government levies and charges

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SECTION D: Levy Payer Details – record the details of the producers who are liable to pay the levy or charge

Section D.1: Details of Deer Slaughter producers:

ABN/ACN*	Full Name*	Business Address (include Suburb, State and Postcode)*	Email and/or Phone*	Product	Number slaughtered*	Carcase weight (kg)*	Levy payable/paid*
				Deer Slaughter – hot dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – cold dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – weight not determined			\$
				Deer Slaughter – hot dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – cold dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – weight not determined			\$
				Deer Slaughter – hot dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – cold dressed			\$
				Deer Slaughter – weight not determined			\$
Total Deer Slaughter Levy Payable/Paid*							\$

Note: The total of all levy/charge payable/paid entered in Section D must match the total levy/charge payable/paid in Section C.

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Section D.2: Details of Buffalo Slaughter producers:

ABN/ACN*	Full Name*	Business Address (include Suburb, State and Postcode)*	Email and/or Phone*	Product	Number slaughtered*	Number exempt/ condemned*	Levy payable/paid*
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
				Buffalo Slaughter			\$
Total Buffalo Slaughter Levy Payable/Paid*							\$

Note: The total of all levy/charge payable/paid entered in Section D must match the total levy/charge payable/paid in Section C.
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Section D.3: Details of Buffalo Export producers:

ABN/ACN*	Full Name*	Business Address (include Suburb, State and Postcode)*	Email and/or Phone*	Product	Number exported*	Charge payable/paid*
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
				Buffalo Export		\$
Total Buffalo Export Charge Payable/Paid*						\$

Note: The total of all levy/charge payable/paid entered in Section D must match the total levy/charge payable/paid in Section C. You can also lodge your return online at: leviesonline.agriculture.gov.au/LRSONline



SECTION E: Exemptions

Exemption from paying the Deer Slaughter Levy: A producer of deer is not liable to pay the deer slaughter levy where the carcase is condemned or rejected as being unfit for human consumption, under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

Exemption from paying the Buffalo Slaughter Levy: A producer of buffalo is not liable to pay the buffalo slaughter levy where the carcasses are condemned or rejected as being unfit for human consumption, under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory, or on the slaughter of buffaloes for consumption by the owner of the buffaloes, by members of the owner's family or by the owner's employees.

Exemption from paying the Buffalo Export Charge: There is no exemption from the buffalo export charge.

SECTION F: Definitions

For the purpose of:

- Buffalo export:
 - The **producer** is the person who owns the buffalo (that are subject to a charge) immediately before export from Australia.
- Buffalo slaughter:
 - A **processor** is the proprietor of the processing establishment that processes the product, unless, immediately prior to delivery to that establishment, the product is owned by the proprietor of another processing establishment, in which case the proprietor of that other establishment is regarded as the processor.
 - The **producer** is the person who owns the buffalo at the time of slaughter.
- Deer slaughter:
 - The **producer** is the person who owns the deer at the time of slaughter.
- Deer and buffalo slaughter:
 - A **proprietor** is:
 - (a) in relation to an abattoir:
 - (i) if a licence is required under any law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory to carry on abattoir activities—the person who holds the licence; or
 - (ii) if no licence is required under any such law—the person carrying on the business of operating the abattoir; and
 - (b) in relation to any other processing establishment—the person carrying on the business of processing collection products in that establishment.

SECTION G: Privacy Notice

Personal information collected on this return or in any other form supplied by you to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (the Department) for the purposes of lodging a return with the Department will be treated in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* and any relevant guidelines.

Personal information

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

The collection of mandatory information as denoted by an asterisk (*) is authorised by the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991* and the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Regulations 1991* (Collection Regulations) for the purpose of administering the levy or charge.

If you do not provide the mandatory information requested in this form, you will be in breach of the Act and the Department may be required to take action. The Department will also be unable to administer the levy or charge if the mandatory information is not provided.



The personal information collected may include information in relation to your business, including your ABN, ACN, business name, contact person details, email address, physical address, and phone number and information about the people you dealt with in a return period.

Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

Disclosure, use and storage of information

The Department may disclose and/or use your personal information and those of the people you dealt with in a return period to eligible recipients, including the Australian Bureau of Statistics, in accordance with the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991*.

Information you provide in a return, about yourself or other individuals, may be used as required or authorised under the *Export Control Act 2020* for the purpose of meeting assessment requirements relating to persons who are required to be fit and proper persons under the *Export Control Act 2020*.

The Department may also use your personal information to contact you to provide information relating to levies, such as when there are changes to levy rates or to administrative arrangements for payment of levies.

Your personal information will be used and stored in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles. See our Privacy Policy webpage at: <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/commitment/privacy> to learn more about accessing or correcting personal information or making a complaint. Alternatively, you can email the Department at privacy@agriculture.gov.au.

SECTION H: Reasonable Excuse

Ultimately, whether a person has a 'reasonable excuse' will depend on the facts and circumstances of the individual case. Accordingly, it will be important for the person to acknowledge they are unable to provide the information required by the Collection Regulations and that they have a reasonable excuse, and to keep records about their reasonable excuse.

For example, a 'reasonable excuse' to not provide the levy payer information may include that a person has put in place effective arrangements to meet legislative requirements for collecting and providing levy payer details – for example, evidenced by updated enterprise systems and/or processes; but is still not able to obtain the relevant information.

SECTION I: Levies contacts

Melbourne Office – enquiries for Victoria and Tasmania

Free Call: 1800 683 839

Fax: (03) 8318 8234

Sydney Office – enquiries for Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, and Queensland

Free Call: 1800 625 103

Fax: (02) 8334 7135

Adelaide Office – enquiries for Northern Territory, South Australia and Western Australia

Free Call: 1800 814 961

Fax: (08) 8201 6099