



<b>EXPORT ADVISORY NOTICE – 2007-02</b>			<b>January 2007</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Veterinarians accompanying livestock by sea</b>		
<b>Species:</b>	<b>Livestock</b>		
<b>Country:</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>File No.</b>	<b>2006/05176</b>
<b>Relevant to:</b>	<b>Livestock Exporters</b> <b>AQIS accredited veterinarians</b> <b>Livecorp</b>		

### **Purpose**

To inform industry participants of the requirement for veterinarians to accompany consignments of livestock exported by sea.

### **Instructions**

AQIS will issue an Approved Export Program for either an AQIS accredited veterinarian or an AQIS veterinarian to accompany livestock consignments (but not limited to) in the following circumstances:

- Vessel is travelling to or through the Middle East;
- Vessel factors including vessel has undergone dry dock or repair period which has the potential to impact on livestock services or no recent voyages from Australia;
- New vessel;
- Exports of livestock to a new market;
- Mortality incident on previous shipment;
- All active exporters over a two year period.

The veterinarian accompanying the livestock must remain on board until the last animal is unloaded.

Where possible, AQIS will give advance notice of the requirement for either an AQIS accredited veterinarian or an AQIS veterinarian, however AQIS reserves the right to assign a veterinarian on a particular voyage as needed.

The Approved Export Program will include the requirement to report on the outcome of the voyage in accordance with the *Export Control (Animals) Order 2004* and the Australian Standards for the Export of Livestock. The veterinarian will be required to report on the process of unloading and available unloading facilities especially in a new market.



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