

**MEAT STANDARDS AUSTRALIA**  
**Amendment Advice 2/2015 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

**TO: All Meat Standards Australia (MSA) licensed wholesalers, retailers and food service outlets**

It is a requirement of a Meat Standards Australia (MSA) licensed end user to adhere to the relevant sections of the current MSA Standards Manual for the sale of MSA certified beef and sheepmeat.

MSA advises an amendment relevant to your business has been made to the MSA Standards, Section 11 – End Users and Section 12 - Compliance and audit requirements.

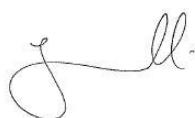
**SUMMARY OF MAJOR AMENDMENTS**

Section	Amendment
<b>Section 11.7 Dispatch/sale</b>	Inclusion of MLA approved tamper evident labels as an acceptable method of MSA primal identification
<b>Section 12 – Compliance and audit requirements</b>	
12.3 Audit frequency – end users	Inclusion of requirement for online self assessment to be completed at a minimum of once per year.
12.9.3 – Audit guidance material – end users	Inclusion of MAJOR non-conformance for failure to supply the necessary documentation to verify that MSA product has been purchased from a licensed supplier.
	Inclusion of MAJOR non-conformance for incorrect use of the MSA Trade Mark. Where a clear breach of Trade Mark usage is identified this non-conformance may be escalated to a CRITICAL.
	Inclusion of MAJOR non-conformance for failure to have adequate systems in place to ensure that MSA Product is identified, segregated & packed in accordance with the appropriate plant boning runs (PBR's).

MSA end users will have immediate access to the revised documents via the [Meat Standards Australia website](#).

MSA licensed end users should note the changes to relevant sections of this publication and update any electronic or printed copies maintained on file. The revised Standards will be effective immediately. If you have any queries on the amendment information contained in this advice or wish to update your contact details, please contact Meat Standards Australia on 1800 111 672 or email [msaenquiries@mla.com.au](mailto:msaenquiries@mla.com.au).

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