

# **GIWA Standards Review 2024**

## **Final Industry Advice Notice**

15<sup>th</sup> July 2024

The Grain Industry Association of Western Australia Inc. (GIWA) is the caretaker of coarse grain receival standards in Western Australia and reviews the Western Australian grain receival standards on an annual basis to ensure standards are fit for purpose to meet end use customer requirements.

GIWA undertook a review of grain receival standards (excluding wheat standards which are managed directly by Grain Trade Australia) in Western Australia in 2024. Documentation and Terms of Reference for the GIWA Standards Review 2024, the current CBH and Bunge Public Receival Standards for Western Australia, and GIWA Standards Review outcomes for previous years can be found at <u>GIWA Standards</u>.

GIWA is a member of Grain Trade Australia and the Australian Oilseeds Federation and supports the grain industry's national self-regulated Grain Trade Australia Standards Submissions process. GIWA also contributes to Grains Australia's grain classification and variety accreditation processes through cross-representation on the GIWA and Grains Australia commodity councils.

#### **GIWA Standards Review Process 2024:**

In March 2024, GIWA called for receival standards submissions from industry in the First Round of Consultation and received one confidential submission concerning weed seed standards in barley.

This submission was considered by the GIWA Standards Review Committee (the Committee) and in April 2024, GIWA published an Interim Industry Advice Notice, calling for a second round of industry submissions on Standards. No further submissions were received.

Upon consideration of the industry submission received from the first round of consultation, the Committee determined:

- to undertake a review of weed seed categories and tolerances in current malt and feed barley receival standards to determine if any changes are required to meet current market requirements and to consider the practicality of growers to meet current tolerances.

The Committee sought data on weed seed detections in barley receivals over a range of seasons from both CBH and Bunge. The Committee has reviewed the data kindly supplied by CBH & Bunge and has determined that additional data is required to determine whether there is any need to change weed seed categories and tolerances in malt and feed barley grades. The Committee has requested this additional data from CBH and Bunge and will review that information when it becomes available.

Industry is therefore advised that until the Committee has received and reviewed the additional data requested, and has consulted with all sectors of the barley industry that may be impacted by any potential change to weed seed tolerances:

there will be no change to the existing tolerances within the Barley Receival standards. Hence the 2024/25 Barley Receival standard will remain the same as per the 2023/24 Barley Receival standard.

### Further research on Foreign Material in Lupin Standards:

The Committee received a submission in 2021 seeking a change to the definition of Foreign Material in the Lupin receival standard. The Committee accepted CBH's kind offer to undertake a trial on behalf of industry to assist the Committee to better understand the composition of Foreign Material in lupins delivered in the 2021/22 harvest.

The Committee analysed that data and:

- 1) Concluded that data from a single (2021/22) harvest <u>did not</u> justify any change to this receival standard,
- 2) Requested CBH to analyse samples from the 2022/23 harvest and provide this data for review by the Committee.

CBH provided the Committee with additional data on Foreign Material in lupins from both the 2022/23 and 2023/24 harvests. The Committee analysed this data and:

3) Concluded that the data does not give reason to change existing tolerances in the Other Seeds / Foreign Material category in the Lupin Receival standards.

The Committee then consulted with the party that made the submission in 2021, and the party has now withdrawn their submission.

Industry is therefore advised that:

there will be no change to the existing tolerances within the Lupin Receival standard. Hence the 2024/25 Lupin Receival standard will remain the same as per the 2023/24 Lupin Receival standard.

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