

MEDIA RELEASE

GIWA annual review of receival standards completed for 2023

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The Grain Industry Association of Western Australia (GIWA) has finalised its annual review of grain receival standards for WA grain growers.

GIWA called for industry submissions on receival standards during March and April and received one submission seeking an increase in snail tolerances for canola receivals.

The submission was considered by the GIWA Standards Review Committee, and it was determined a relaxation of the tolerance for snails in CAN1/2, CAG1/2, CANS and CAGS grades would not be supported.

GIWA Board Chair Lyndon Mickel said the Committee was not satisfied a relaxation of tolerances would be beneficial to Western Australian growers or the WA canola industry.

“While the Committee recognises the impact snails have on WA growers, relaxing the standard could significantly increase the risk of canola export shipments being rejected under Australian Government phytosanitary regulations,” Lyndon said.

“It could also jeopardise market access, particularly into the European Union, which is Australia’s largest canola market.”

“The issue is certainly on the GIWA radar but at this stage, no changes will be made to the Canola Receival Standards.”

As a result of last year’s review, WA barley growers will benefit from a change to the Barley Receival Standards accepted by the GIWA Standards Review Committee in 2022, to take effect in the 2023/24 harvest.

“Grain brightness (colour) has been removed from the WA receival standards for barley, effective this harvest,” Lyndon said.

“This news has been gratefully received by growers, particularly those in higher rainfall areas impacted most by the old colour standard.”

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For more information on the GIWA Standards Review, please visit www.giwa.org.au/industry-projects/grain-standards/

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GIWA Receival Standards Review Committee

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Documentation and Terms of Reference for the GIWA Standards Review 2023, the current CBH and Bunge Public Receival Standards for Western Australia, and GIWA Standards Review outcomes for previous years can be found at [GIWA Standards](#).

GIWA is a member of Grain Trade Australia, the Australian Oilseeds Federation, Pulse Australia, is an industry partner of Grains Australia, and supports the grain industry's national self-regulated Grain Trade Australia Standards Submissions process http://www.graintrade.org.au/commodity_standards

The Standards Review Committee is reviewed and reappointed each December by the GIWA Board. To ensure transparency in the process and meaningful input, GIWA welcomes individuals with a strong interest in the WA grain industry to express their interest in being on the GIWA Receival Standards Review Committee.

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