

# **GIWA Standards Review 2025**

# Interim Industry Advice Notice and

## **Call for Second Round Submissions**

Due Date: 5pm AWST Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

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 is undertaking a review of grain receival standards (excluding wheat standards which are managed directly by Grain Trade Australia) in Western Australia in 2025. Documentation and Terms of Reference for the GIWA Standards Review 2025, 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.

**Proposed Changes GIWA Standards Review 2025:** In March 2025, GIWA called for receival standards submissions from industry in the First Round of Consultation and received **no** submissions.

The GIWA Standards Review Committee met on 14 April to:

- 1) further consider a submission received in 2024 concerning weed seed standards in barley, and
- 2) consider oat receival grade nomenclature and the status of Wandering and Durack varieties following the transition for responsibility for oat classification from GIWA to Grains Australia.

The outcomes appear on page 2 of this Interim Industry Advice Notice.

#### Second Round Submissions GIWA Standards Review 2025.

#### Please direct:

- feedback on the issues below,
- new submissions,
- and/or correspondence on any standards issue

to pnash@giwa.org.au by 5pm AWST Friday 23 May 2025.

The Final Industry Advice Notice on Standards for 2025/26 as agreed by the GIWA Standards Review Committee will be published on the GIWA website by 15 July 2025.

### Further consideration of the 2024 submission concerning weed seed standards in barley:

A confidential submission concerning weed seed standards in barley was received in the First Round of Consultation in 2024.

Upon consideration of the industry submission, the GIWA Standards Review 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 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 reviewed the data kindly supplied by CBH & Bunge in 2024 and determined that additional data was required to determine whether there is any need to change weed seed categories and tolerances in malt and feed barley grades. The Committee requested this additional data from CBH and Bunge and reviewed the data subsequently provided.

#### Industry is advised that:

- 1) The Committee is continuing to review current weed seed categories and tolerances in malt and feed barley receival standards to determine if any changes are required to meet current market requirements and the practicality of growers to meet current tolerances.
- 2) Given its complexity, this review is unlikely to be concluded in 2025, and therefore no changes to existing barley receival standards are anticipated for the 2025/26 harvest.

#### Oat Nomenclature and the Status of Wandering and Durack:

The responsibility for oat classification has now transitioned from GIWA to Grains Australia. This has resulted in some differences in nomenclature for milling oats. In WA, oat varieties are listed as OAT1, OAT2, OWAN, or not suitable for delivery to the bulk handling system, but varieties accredited by Grains Australia carry the term "milling oat". Following consultation with Grains Australia, CBH and domestic oat processors, Industry is advised that:

- 3) There will be no change to WA's use of the OAT1, OAT2 and OWAN nomenclature.
- 4) Having taken effect from the 2024/25 harvest, all new varieties classified by Grains Australia as milling oats are approved for receival into OAT1.

Following the implementation of the new Grains Australia oat classification system, the Committee has taken the opportunity to consider the status of Durack (currently eligible for receival into OAT2) and Wandering (currently eligible for receival into OAT2 and OWAN) and Industry is advised that:

- 5) It is proposed that Durack be accepted into OAT1 effective from the 2025/26 harvest.
- 6) **No change is proposed for Wandering.** That is, Wandering will continue to be eligible for receival into OAT2 and OWAN.
- 7) No other changes to oat receival standards are proposed.

Industry is invited to provide feedback on the above proposals via Second Round Submissions to the GIWA Standards Review 2025 which close on 23 May 2025.