

GIWA Standards Review 2025

Final Industry Advice Notice

15th July 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 undertook 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.

GIWA Standards Review 2025: On 10 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 in 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.

On 28 April 2025, GIWA then published an Interim Industry Advice Notice, calling for a second round of industry submissions on Standards. **No** further submissions were received.

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

A confidential submission concerning weed seed standards in barley was received in 2024.

Upon consideration of this 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 in April 2025 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 ongoing.
- 3) Therefore, there will be no change to the existing tolerances within the Barley Receival standards for the 2025/26 harvest. The 2025/26 Barley Receival standards will remain the same as per the 2024/25 Barley Receival standards.

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:

- 4) There will be no change to WA's use of the OAT1, OAT2 and OWAN nomenclature.
- 5) 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 Grains Australia new oat classification system, the Committee took 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:

- 6) Durack will be accepted into OAT1 effective from the 2025/26 harvest.
- 7) Wandering will continue to be eligible for receival into OAT2 and OWAN.
- 8) There are no other changes to Oat Receival standards.

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