

RENEWAL of Ovine Brucellosis-Free Accreditation

Applicant/s and their approved veterinarians to complete. Applicant/s to complete Parts A and C; Approved veterinary practitioner to complete Parts B and C. The applicant to return the forms to the address below once all palpation and testing has been finalised. A tax invoice for the renewal fee will be issued on acceptance of the forms by the Administrator; current fee is approx. \$100 inc GST.

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PART A RENEWAL APPLICATION

I/We (name)
 wish to apply for renewal of the Ovine Brucellosis-Free Accreditation of my/our flock.

Applicant/s name		
Applicant/s name or business name to appear on certificate		
Postal address		Postcode
Property address		Postcode
Property Identification Code (PIC)		
Phone/Fax	Phone:	Fax:
Mobile Phone	Mobile:	
Email		
Nominated approved veterinary practitioner		

I/We declare that:

- all boundary fences for the accredited property have been maintained and are sheep proof;
- all rams and teasers over 4 months of age have been presented for testing;
- I/we have complied with the risk management plan (see Part C) for this flock to minimise the risk of introduction of Ovine Brucellosis onto the accredited property;
- the information given in this application is correct.

I have kept adequate records of:

- the number of rams and teasers on the property and their breed;
- the origin of introduced rams and/or semen;
- the movement of sheep to and from shows, sales and other movements away from the accredited property;
- any event which may have exposed my accredited flock to *Brucella ovis* and the actions taken to mitigate this risk;
- all sheep have adequate individual identification to the satisfaction of the approved veterinary practitioner
- a property plan approximately to scale that shows boundary and subdivisional fences, names of adjoining neighbours and type of fencing for boundary fences.

I/We give permission for my/our accreditation status to be publicised once per year in a Tasmanian newspaper and recorded on the NRE Tas website. **YES** **NO** **(please circle)**

Applicant/s name.....

Applicant/s signature/s.....Date.....

PART B RENEWAL APPLICATION – Veterinary Certification

Name of applicant/s.....PIC _ _ _ _ _

Flock details

No. of rams over 4 months of age	Number of teasers over 4 months of age	Number of ewes over 1 year of age	Breed/s of rams	Society brand (if applicable)

I palpated.....rams andteasers over 4 months of age.

Blood samples were taken fromrams and.....teasers.

I am satisfied that the applicant is aware of risks for the introduction of Ovine Brucellosis to the accredited property and has complied with the Property Management Plan to prevent introduction of Ovine Brucellosis to the accredited flock.

I am satisfied that the property, management and testing meet the requirements of the Tasmanian Ovine Brucellosis-Free Accreditation Scheme and that the property is eligible for re-accreditation.

I examined this flock on:.....

I have attached the completed forms **B and C**.

Name of approved veterinary practitioner.....

Signature of approved veterinary practitioner.....

Date.....

PART C RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN for (insert applicant/s name and PIC)

Applicant/s name.....PIC _____

To be completed by the approved veterinary practitioner following discussion with the applicant

	Activity that may pose a risk for introduction of disease	Practices that minimise risk of introduction	Comment from approved veterinary practitioner to verify that the risk management strategy has been complied with
1	Movement of purchased rams onto accredited property	Check accreditation status of rams and obtain a copy of accreditation certificate. If purchased animals are not from an accredited property, contact an approved practitioner for testing and isolation of stock	
2	Movement of purchased ewes onto accredited property	Non-pregnant ewes from non-accredited properties should be isolated and not joined for 4 months after last joining. Pregnant ewes should be lambed in isolation and not rejoined for 4 months post lambing. Ram lambs from non accredited ewes should be weaned early and tested after 4 months of age.	
3	Introduction of semen onto accredited property	Buy semen from accredited properties (check their accreditation certificate). If not accredited buy semen from licensed centre, or from rams that have been isolated and tested free of OVINE BRUCELLOSIS following 2 blood tests 60 to 120 days apart.	
4	Rams returned from leasing, sharing or agistment	Rams should not be agisted, leased or shared unless the property is OVINE BRUCELLOSIS accredited or has been inspected by an approved practitioner. If any contact with non-accredited rams, isolate and test 60 days after return.	
5	Rams returned from show or sale	Determine whether all rams at the show are from accredited properties or fully tested. If this is not possible, accredited rams should be held in isolation from non-accredited rams. If any contact with non-accredited rams, isolate and test 60 days after return.	
6	Straying rams or ewes (from accredited flock to non-accredited flock)	Isolate sheep and contact approved practitioner to discuss risk of disease entry. Testing procedures will be at the discretion of approved practitioners	
7	Straying rams or ewes (from non-accredited flock to accredited flock)	Isolate sheep and contact approved practitioner to discuss risk of disease entry. Testing procedures will be at discretion of approved practitioner.	
8	Transport of sheep	All sheep from approved property must be transported in isolation from non-accredited sheep	
9	Rams to AI centre	Ensure that AI centre is licensed. All sheep at centre should be accredited or tested OVINE BRUCELLOSIS negative.	
10	Fencing	Ensure all boundary fences are secure to minimise risk of straying sheep	
11	Other risk factors		
12	Other risk factors		

I/We have read and understood the Risk Management Plan as above

Signature/s of applicant/s.....Date.....

I have explained the risk factors for introduction of Ovine Brucellosis to the applicant and discussed the risk management plan.

Signature of approved veterinary practitioner.....Date.....

Privacy Statement

Personal information will be collected from you for the purpose of accrediting or re-accrediting your flock under the **Ovine Brucellosis-Free Accreditation Scheme** and will be used by NRE Tas for managing, assessing, advising upon and determining the relevant application and may be used for other purposes permitted by the *Animal Health Act 1995*.

You are required to provide accurate information by section 76(1)(c) of the *Animal Health Act 1995*. Failure to provide this information may result in your application not being able to be processed.

Your personal information will be used for the primary purpose for which it is collected, and may be disclosed to contractors and agents of the NRE Tas, and other organisations authorised to collect it.

Your basic personal information may be disclosed to other public sector bodies where necessary, for the efficient storage and use of the information.

Personal information will be managed in accordance with the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004* and may be accessed by the individual to whom it relates on request to NRE Tas. You may be charged a fee for this service.