

ALPACA BIOSECURITY PLAN TEMPLATE

Farm information:		Farm map showing paddocks/dams/troughs/lanes/sheds/yards <input type="checkbox"/>	
Owner name:	PIC:	Grazing area:	ha
Stud name:	Address:		
Breed: <i>huacaya / suri</i>			
Total number alpacas:	Boundary fence type:	Secure: <i>yes / no</i>	
Number females >1yo:	Veterinarian:	Phone:	
Number males/wethers >1yo:	Q-alpaca*/AlpacaMAP status:	Cert. expiry:	
Other species grazed (number):			

Farm inputs:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Q-Alpaca/MAP * are national alpaca biosecurity programs: Strive to participate in/source alpacas from these herds
<input type="checkbox"/>	New/returning alpacas: Obtain & file National SAC Declaration & Waybill ~; isolate 21 days & inspect/drench/vaccinate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disease/pest watch: Drench-resistant worms, lice, general health/appetite/demeanour; remove weeds in isolation area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Supplementary feed: Commodity Vendor Declaration; check for "weeds & weevils"; store in clean, dry, vermin-proof area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water: Keep troughs clean; minimise stagnant water; secure water sources from contamination by ferals/pests
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chemicals/fertilisers/medication: Store appropriately (temperature, security); follow on-label advice

Farm outputs:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alpaca sales: Ensure animals are Fit to Load #; supply National SAC Declaration & Waybill ~; clean vehicle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shows: Ensure pens clean before unloading; take own feed/water; do not share equipment; isolate 21 days on return

People, vehicles & equipment:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Staff: Q-fever/tetanus vaccines; regular training/refresher courses on biosecurity/hygiene/animal health; supply PPE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Visitors/vehicles: Visiting vehicles to stay outside grazing area; visitors to sign register & wear clean/supplied boots/clothes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contractors: Ensure shearing gear/shoes clean; do not use shearer's vaccines/drenches etc.; wash tractor/mower/baler
<input type="checkbox"/>	On-farm equipment: Clean & disinfect tools & feeding equipment before & after use; store in clean, dry area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Handling facilities: Clean muster every time; set up laneways & yards to enable low stress handling

Production practices:		Best farm practice optimises animal welfare & worker safety, maximises production & protects the environment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Duty of care: Read, understand & implement the Code of Welfare for Alpacas & Llamas Australia 2016 ^	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Animal identification: Ensure all stock have a legible ear tag; record tag & animal details in database; ensure traceability	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Active monitoring of all livestock: Check face, feet & fibre every animal, every day; call veterinarian if signs of illness	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Constant vigilance: Body condition score/weigh alpacas regularly; record; graph; feed/investigate as indicated	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grazing practices: Longer pasture (>3cm) reduces intake of worms/coccidia/microbes; avoid co-grazing with cows/sheep/goats	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Routine husbandry: Establish vaccine/drench/vitamin D treatment schedule based on joining/birthing, shearing, FECs	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sick animals: Isolate affected animals; treat under veterinary supervision; observe withholding periods	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dying/dead animals: Set up humane method of euthanasia; post-mortems useful; observe legal carcass disposal	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General farm hygiene & maintenance: Ensure equipment clean between animals; treat sick animals after healthy ones	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chemical usage: Train staff on safe use; record paddock, date & application rate; observe withholding periods	

Strays, ferals, pests, weeds:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fences: Inspect perimeter fencing regularly; double boundary fence ideal to prevent contact with neighbouring stock
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gates: Padlock boundary gates; ensure internal/external gateways gapless & stockproof; consider biosecurity signs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Farm dogs: Treat with tapewormer (praziquantel) every 4 weeks; do not allow access to carcasses; pick up dog faeces
<input type="checkbox"/>	Feral animals: Develop control program; record procedures & dates; work with neighbours to control
<input type="checkbox"/>	Weeds: Many weeds toxic to stock; identify & control weeds; work with neighbours to control

<input type="checkbox"/>	Train, plan & record: Record date/identity of movement/husbandry/treatments methodically & permanently
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* Q-Alpaca/MAP info at www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au/what-we-do/endemic-disease/market-assurance-programs-maps/alpacamap/

~ Download form at farmbiosecurity.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/South-American-Camelid-Declaration-and-Waybill.pdf

To download booklet, enter "MLA Fit to Load Guide" into search engine

^ Find the **Code of Welfare for Alpacas & Llamas Australia 2016** at www.ava.com.au/veterinarians-5