



Summary of major changes to the Australian Wood Packaging Scheme (AWPCS) – Version 3.0

General updates throughout:

- All reference to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) have been replaced throughout the document with Department of Agriculture and Water Resources.
- All reference to DAFF have been change to 'the department' or 'department'.
- All references to non-compliance have been changed to non-conformance.
- All reference to 'shall' have been changed to 'must'.
- All reference to 'cancelled' have been changed to 'revoked'.
- Document has been updated to comply with departmental web publishing requirements as well as edited for accessibility and readability.

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1.5 Definitions

- Information about dielectric heating as a treatment for wood packaging has been added to the definition.

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1.6 International Standards and Legislation

- Updated legislation references to include current legislation and changed heading.

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2.2 Dielectric heating (DH)

- Information about dielectric heating as a treatment for wood packaging has been added to approved treatment options.

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5.5.1 Frequency of audits

- The option to decrease the audit frequency from bi-annual to annual if a facility has been compliant in its previous audits, and a newly accredited facility has been compliant in two biannual audits for its first year of accreditation.
- In the event of a non-conformance, the facility returns to 6 monthly audits until they have achieved two successive audits with zero non-conformities.

5.5.2 Major and minor non-conformities

- That three minor non-conformities results in a major non-conformity rather than two non-conformities equating to a major non-conformity.