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Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  
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<b>TO:</b>	All abattoirs slaughtering small stock (The goat industry)		
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Subject

## **DISPENSATION: ROLLER-MARKING OF CLASS A GOATS (KIDS) WITH BLUE INK**

1. The Department received a request from the RPO and SA Goat Breeders Association to allow for Class A goats (kids) to be roller-marked with blue ink instead of orange ink as prescribed by the regulations. The request was favourably considered and the Department decided to in the meantime implement the request via dispensation until it can be formally captured in the regulations.
2. Permission is hereby granted by the Executive Officer: Agricultural Product Standards in terms of section 3(1)(c) of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990), to all abattoirs slaughtering small stock (the goat industry) to roller-mark goats that have been classified as age Class A with blue ink instead of orange ink as required by the regulations: Provided that the changeover from orange ink to blue ink shall be fully implemented no later than 1 May 2018.
3. This permission is subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) All other conditions of the relevant regulations shall be complied with.
  - (b) It may be withdrawn at any time should a valid complaint be received.
  - (c) All abattoirs slaughtering small stock (the goat industry) indemnify this Directorate and the Department from any detrimental effect, financially or otherwise, which may emanate as a result of this permission.
  - (d) Termination date: When the amendment to the relevant regulations has been published in the Government Gazette.



**EXECUTIVE OFFICER:  
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT, 1990**

Copies: SAMIC, Mr. R. v/d Westhuizen  
RPO, Mr. G. Schutte