



Department of
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Regional Development**

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Dear Livestock Agent/Processor

**NEW CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR SHEEP AND GOAT INDUSTRY FUNDING
SCHEME TO BEGIN ON 1 JULY 2020**

The Minister for Agriculture and Food recently endorsed the Sheep and Goat Industry Funding Scheme (IFS) Management Committee's recommendation for the 2020-21 IFS contribution rate. I am writing to advise you that **the Sheep and Goat IFS contribution rate has been increased to 17 cents per head/carcass, effective from 1 July 2020** (previously, the contribution rate was 15 cents per head/carcass).

As per the IFS regulations, stock agents and processors are required to collect the contribution from producers and forward these to the Director General of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development. The relevant section of the regulations is attached.

I have also attached the 2020-21 remittance form, which is to be included with all remittances of IFS contributions. More information can be found on the website at <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/bam/deduction-and-remittance-contributions>

Please advise your staff of the new contribution rate, as relevant, to ensure the correct producer contributions are deducted.

Under the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*, the Sheep and Goat IFS enables industry to raise funds to self-manage pests and diseases that may affect the viability and sustainability of the industry. The funds collected from Western Australian sheep/goat producers will be used to help control virulent footrot and wild dogs.

Yours sincerely

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Attachments – Extract from IFS regulations; 2020/21 remittance form

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