

# FOOD SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR LIVE TASMANIAN FARMED BIVALVE MOLLUSC

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Why do we need to update the food safety management system?

- This review was the first major review in 4 years.
- Regular reviews make sure that the Food Safety Management Statement is always current.
- There has been significant changes that have affected the industry since 2012.

# THE CHANGES

## What are the changes to the document?

- There were 37 changes made to the document, predominantly minor.
  - Contact details for TSQAP, DPIPWE and other relevant authorities.
  - Section 4.10 Recall Procedures was substantially rewritten to reflect the changes in the Industry Recall Protocol (7<sup>th</sup> edn 2014).
  - Recall forms were updated to reflect the requirements of the Industry Recall Protocol and a new form was inserted (Form 15A Distribution List)
  - Inclusion of a new form (Form 19 Application for Special Authority to Import Animals, Animal Material, Restricted Animal Material)
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## **Form 15 – Recall Checklist**

- This form has been substantially transformed from the original form.
- The form has been updated to reflect the recall checklist in the Food Industry Recall Protocol.
- If a recall is to occur, please ensure that this form is used. It will ensure that important steps are not missed.

## **Form 15A – Distribution List**

- This form can be used as the distribution list to be sent to FSANZ for a formal recall
- This is also the form that is to be used if the DPIPWE requests harvest and distribution information prior to a formal recall being announced.

## **Form 19 - Application for Special Authority to Import Animals, Animal Material, or Restricted Animal Material**

- Use this form if you have stock on the mainland that needs to be brought back into the state.
- The return of live shellfish can only occur if the stock is still within the transport system and has not been delivered to your customer.
- Please note the permit to bring stock back into the state is not issued by the Primary Produce Safety Program.
- Permits are issued by Biosecurity Tasmania's Animal Biosecurity and Welfare Program.
- For further information regarding permits contact Benjamin U'Ren  
Ph. (03) 6165 3263,  
email: Benjamin.U'Ren@dpipwe.tas.gov.au.

### When should I update my program?

- An electronic copy of the updated program was emailed out to all producers and food safety auditors in August 2016.
- Your current program must be updated prior to your next food safety audit.
- Your food safety auditor has been advised of the changes and will be conducting the audit according to the requirements of the updated program.

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