

LIVE SHEEP EXPORT PHASE OUT

Submission Guide

It's time to legislate an end date for live sheep exports.

Following the Federal Government's 2022 commitment to phase out live sheep export trade and to ensure this commitment is realised, we must set the end date.

An **independent panel** has been established to consult on the phase out of live sheep exports by sea. The panel will provide advice on how and when the government should phase out the trade and is open for everyone to share their thoughts and concerns until **31st May**.

Making a submission may seem daunting at first, but it's actually quite a simple process. Follow our practical submission guide to add your voice to the many passionate Australians urging the Federal Government to set the end date this term of Parliament and end this trade for good.

1. **Head to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry's live sheep export phase out webpage**

Have Your Say: Phase out of live sheep exports by sea

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

2. **Read the Consultation Paper** which outlines:

- the consultation process
- members of the panel
- the questions being addressed
- specifications for making a submission.

3. **Now it's time to have your say**

Click on the **survey link** to submit your thoughts, or, if you are providing a submission on behalf of an organisation it can be uploaded separately with an official letterhead.

The submission is yours, of course, but we suggest including some of the following points:

- Calling on the Government to **set the end date this term of Parliament** is vital to **ensuring the phase out occurs**, to **avoid prolonged uncertainty** for Australian farmers, and our **international reputation** sinking even lower because of live sheep export.
- Remember, the Government has already made it clear that they are **committed** and the phase out will go ahead, so focus your message on **how and when you would like to see a phase out**.

Thank you for taking the time and using your voice to advocate for sheep welfare.

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