

PRODUCER ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION

Thomas Foods International is a privately owned, Australian company, specialising in the procurement and production of beef, lamb, mutton and goat products.

Suppliers of Thomas Foods International, recognise that their daily activities impact on the environment. This environmental policy has been created to minimise the impact of farming practices on the environment and preserve resources for the use of future generations.

To minimize environmental impacts concerning the production of livestock, as a supplier of Thomas Foods International, I shall:

- Comply with the applicable legal requirements that relate to environmental aspects of primary production.
- Implementing procedures to prevent the pollution of the air and waterways and minimise the consumption of resources. The following are examples
 - Reduce waste through recycling.
 - Recycling water through effluent irrigation, garden water etc.
 - Adopting a holistic farming approach by rotating livestock around paddocks allowing pastures to rest.
 - Planting trees / native vegetation to encourage biodiversity.
 - Reducing chemical application across crops and pastures.
 - Fencing off creeks / rivers to deter erosion.
 - Adopting renewable energy (solar bores, solar panels).
 - Adopting no till farming methods to increase organic matter soil content and deter top soil erosion.
 - Mindful of chemical / fertilizer run off by implementing procedures to avoid the contamination of creeks / waterways.
- Organic and inorganic chemicals and application equipment must be stored in an appropriate place and disposed of responsibly to minimise contamination and pollution.
- Employees are trained to carry out tasks in an environmentally responsible manner

Suppliers of Thomas Foods International are committed to continual improvement of environmental performance. This policy will be upheld across operations and communicated to all staff and service providers.

Name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: ____/____/_____