
1. HOW TO USE CHECKLISTS

Safe Sheds, The Shearing Shed Safety Program provides four checklists to use at different times of the shearing season:

Full Assessment Checklist

Growers should use the best practice guide and the full checklist with the five modules at least once a year, preferably early in the off-season to go through the shed and record all issues for resolution. This allows as much time as possible to make all changes and improvements before the next shearing.

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Induction Checklist

Used by the employer with the shearing team to ensure all important work practices are identified and that all shed staff are aware of work practices and safety information.

Post Shearing Checklist

This checklist should be used by a woolgrower and the shearing contractor immediately after shearing to report any issues noticed or items broken or damaged during shearing. This allows time before the shearing teams are next in the shed to address issues.

2. FULL ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

This checklist should be used by a woolgrower to assess the safety of the shearing shed(s) on the property.

It is recommended that this be done at least once a year in the off-season to allow enough time to make improvements before shearing commences.

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Name of property:	
Property address:	
Completed by (name):	<input type="checkbox"/> Woolgrower <input type="checkbox"/> Shearing team

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1. THE SHEARING SHED					
1.1	SHED STRUCTURE				
1.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The Shed Structure is sound and safe to enter, including shed frames, beams, flooring, roof and walls.				
1.1.2	Platforms <input type="checkbox"/> All platforms over 1000mm (1m) high have safety rails & gates or chain as suitable barriers. <input type="checkbox"/> The edges of the platform and leading edges of steps are painted with a bright stripe to improve visibility.				
1.1.3	Step/Stairs <input type="checkbox"/> All steps and stairs are in good condition. <input type="checkbox"/> 'Steps' are not a 'ladder' <input type="checkbox"/> Steps are securely fixed in place, non-slip, deep & wide enough to tread on safely. <input type="checkbox"/> Steps are evenly spaced and not too high. <input type="checkbox"/> Steps do not have a horizontal gap between them or a gap between the steps and the wall.				
1.1.4	Handrails: <input type="checkbox"/> Handrails are fixed to the outside of any steps. <input type="checkbox"/> All handrails are strong and stable. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no 'finger traps' in open end pipes.				
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1.2	ACCESS TO AND MOVEMENT AROUND THE SHED				
1.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The <i>Shearing Safety Zone</i> is adequate (shearing plant to be at least 1525mm apart in older sheds and 2100mm apart in new sheds) between stands, pens, shearing and wool handling.				
1.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is sufficient space in the wool room to ensure there are no collisions and contact with machinery.				
1.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Work and traffic areas are uncrowded, free of obstructions and debris e.g. power cords are suspended and people, animals & clutter are minimised.				
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1.3	FLOORING				
1.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Floors & battens throughout the shed are sound and well maintained. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no missing, rotting, warped, loose, slippery flooring or flooring made of high friction material (e.g. melwire). <input type="checkbox"/> There are no protruding nails & screws.				
1.3.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Floors & battens throughout the shed are even, without steps or gaps for tripping hazards.				
1.3.3	<input type="checkbox"/> The floors are dry & secure.				
1.3.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Floors where a bale trolley is used are level and free of broken timber flooring. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no large tin patches, sagging tin or raised edges.				
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1.4	RAMPS & YARDING				
1.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There is adequate overnight 'yarding' capacity for enough sheep to cover the following day's total tally.				
1.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> The sheep entry ramp is sound and without broken or rotting planks and battens.				
1.4.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Loading doorways / raised platforms over 1000mm (1m) high have a closing door, gate or exclusion chain with signage for when not in use.				
NOTES:					
1.5	SHEEP PENS, RACES & GATES				
1.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The design of races & pens promotes sheep to run and provides adequate flow.				
1.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is limited light from under the floorboards that may hinder sheep from running.				
1.5.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Sides of pens, races and gates are free of protrusions, sharp edges and splinters, posing hazards for workers.				
1.5.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Gates are made of lightweight material.				
1.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Gate hinges in penning up area are present and working.				
1.5.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Gate catches and stops in penning up area operate easily and are easy to operate one-handed.				
1.5.7	<input type="checkbox"/> There are no 'Telescoping' Gates which are a safety risk.				
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1.6	CATCHING PENS, GATEWAYS & DOORS				
1.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The size of the catching pen does not require excessive lifting and dragging to operate. Catching pen size should be 2100mm wide x 3050mm deep (7ft x 10ft) and no less than 1830mm (6ft) wide and no more than 3200mm (10.5ft) deep.				
1.6.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Chutes that protrude into catching pens are guarded to prevent trip hazards for the shearer during tip & drag operations.				
1.6.3	<input type="checkbox"/> There is one catching pen available for each shearer.				
1.6.4	Catching Pen to Down Tube Alignment & Distance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The alignment and distance does not require the shearer to turn more than 90 degrees for both left and right handed shearing. <input type="checkbox"/> The drag distance from the back of the catching pen to the downtube is no more than 3005mm (3.05m). 				
1.6.5	Equipment/Tool Benches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> An equipment/tool bench is available for each shearer. <input type="checkbox"/> The equipment/tool benches are adequately sized (not less than 300 x 600mm), stable and located appropriately. 				
1.6.6	Flooring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Battens run towards the catching pen gates. <input type="checkbox"/> Battens are made of appropriate material (not melwire) to limit surface drag that increases risk to shearers. <input type="checkbox"/> The flooring is in good condition, with no rotten or loose battens. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no steps or obstructions between the catching pen and the board e.g. board fixed to the floor across the gateway. 				
1.6.7	Catching Pen Doors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The top edge of the pen door is not able to strike the shearer in the lower back. <input type="checkbox"/> The doors are self-closing and close completely & automatically with each use. <input type="checkbox"/> The doors swing in both directions (optional based on shearer preference). <input type="checkbox"/> The doors are smooth and free of protrusions on both sides. <input type="checkbox"/> The doors do not have pinch points. 				
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1.7	SHEARING BOARD				
1.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing boards are best practice depth and height for safety and ease for shed staff to reach and handle wool. Depth of 1500mm (1.5m) from the downtube to the front edge of the platform. Height 700mm - 750mm.				
1.7.2	Steps to Raised Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The steps are securely fixed in place, wide enough, not too high. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no horizontal gaps between the steps. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a handrail fixed to the outside of the steps 				
1.7.3	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a multi-purpose stand available for left and right- handed shearers that ensures no forward dragging of sheep and no turning of sheep more than 90 degrees.				
1.7.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Lighting on the board is adequate for shearing and equipment maintenance.				
1.7.5	<input type="checkbox"/> The distance between down tubes is 2100mm (7 foot).				
1.7.6	<input type="checkbox"/> The downtube is the appropriate distance out from the wall and chute face e.g. approx. 450 – 550mm maximum. <input type="checkbox"/> Downtubes are between 152 – 178mm to the left of the let out chute.				
1.7.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Guards are fitted around all down tube elbow joints.				
1.7.8	<input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are made of non-stretch material. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off Ropes are in good condition e.g. not frayed and worn at the attachment to the on/off lever and are correct length. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are positioned correctly for easy access whether left or right-handed.				
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1.8	LET GO AREA				
1.8.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Chutes are large enough for large framed sheep.				
1.8.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Chute thresholds are free of wooden strips where sheep can get a foothold.				
1.8.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Chute entrances, where possible, are extended onto the floor of the shearing board by 100mm. <input type="checkbox"/> Front edges of chutes, where possible, are set 100-200mm lower than the board floor.				
1.8.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Exit runs for sheep are clear of debris and are without torn and sharp metal, timber or fittings.				
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1.9	WOOL & PRESS ROOMS				
1.9.1	Wool Table - is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> large enough to hold the fleece <input type="checkbox"/> free of protrusions or sharp corners/edges <input type="checkbox"/> height adjustable <input type="checkbox"/> adjusted to an appropriate height <input type="checkbox"/> easily portable, to maneuver depending on the requirements of the day e.g. no. stands being used, skirting or not. 				
1.9.2	Flooring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Any concrete floors around the wool table are fitted with anti-fatigue matting. <input type="checkbox"/> Flooring is even and without significant cracks posing hazards for workers operating in these areas and standing on uneven surfaces for prolonged periods of time. <input type="checkbox"/> Any timber floors are strong enough and well-supported to take the weight of loaded bale trolleys and the woolpress. 				
1.9.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Bale frames do not have sharp points that are not adequately covered.				
1.9.4	Wool Bins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bins are easily accessible with no trip hazards. <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bins are free of sharp metal or splinters that are not covered. <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bin is easily portable, to maneuver depending on the requirements of the day. 				
1.9.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Bale handling is done with safe bale hooks and appropriate trolleys.				
1.9.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Lighting is adequate for shearing and equipment maintenance.				

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2. MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT

2.1	OVERHEAD GEAR & SHEARING PLANT				
2.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are clear of clothing, towels or other potential entanglements.				
2.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Drive belts are guarded.				
2.1.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are high enough to avoid physical contact where belts and pulley meet.				
2.1.4	Emergency Stop Controls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shaft emergency stop controls are large enough for emergency stops. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency stop controls are located for easy access by shearers and woolclasser (e.g. between the wool table and the nearest stand). <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Stop Controls are clearly identified. 				
2.1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual shearing plant units are fitted safely and securely.				
2.1.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-lockup plant has been installed when replacement is required.				
2.1.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> All Shearing plants & equipment are appropriately serviced, installed and maintained, to work correctly <input type="checkbox"/> Downtubes are in good condition and correctly installed, the lower end of downtube describes a circle of approximately 275mm <input type="checkbox"/> Safety clutches are in good condition, properly adjusted <input type="checkbox"/> Safety clutch tension setting is not greater than 2-9Nm (26 in/lb) <input type="checkbox"/> Tension wrench that fits the safety clutch is available <input type="checkbox"/> Protective covers are placed over the shearing plant and downtube when not in use. <input type="checkbox"/> Joint guards are fitted to all joints. 				

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2.2	BACK HARNESS SUPPORTS				
2.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points are provided. <input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points swivel freely.				
2.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points are secure and fastened correctly. They are located correctly and clear of obstructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points have chains long enough to prevent excessive 'pendulum' lifting effect on shearers as they move.				
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2.4	GRINDERS				
2.4.1	Grinder location: <input type="checkbox"/> Is in a well ventilated and enclosed area <input type="checkbox"/> Is in a well-lit location <input type="checkbox"/> There is a minimum 1.5m of open space around the grinder <input type="checkbox"/> Open space is free of people <input type="checkbox"/> Grinder disc rotation is away from people, busy work areas and flammable material				
2.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Grinder is secured to a surface, unless otherwise designed. <input type="checkbox"/> Grinding discs are properly secured. <input type="checkbox"/> Safety guards are in place on grinder & properly adjusted to cover the edge of discs.				
2.4.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Grinder electrical leads & cords are out of the way with no risk of being cut, entangled, damaged or causing trip hazard.				
2.4.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety glasses or face shields; earmuffs or ear plugs and dust mask are provided. <input type="checkbox"/> Safety signage for eye and hearing protection is in place. <input type="checkbox"/> Grinding is done by skilled and trained persons.				
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2.5	WOOLPRESS				
2.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The Woolpress is fully guarded with an interlocking door mechanism, to exclude hand & arm access during activation.				
2.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is an Emergency Safety Stop switch or bar fitted and properly adjusted. <input type="checkbox"/> There is appropriate signage to identify the Emergency Safety Stop switch.				
2.5.3	<input type="checkbox"/> There are adequate ramps, vehicles and lifting devices available for safe movement of press to & from and within the shed.				
2.5.4	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a failsafe mechanism fitted and functional on mechanical/ manual press to prevent the platen from falling when in the top position.				
2.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydraulic Lines are inspected, and worn lines are replaced to eliminate leaks.				
2.5.6	<input type="checkbox"/> The location of the woolpresses are away from other work being carried out.				
2.5.7	<input type="checkbox"/> The woolpress is free of any protrusions and sharp edges.				
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2.6	TOOL & EQUIPMENT STORAGE				
2.6.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plants are not used as a location to hang toweling, cutters and other gear.				
NOTES:					
2.7	UNGUARDED MACHINERY				
2.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> All moving parts of machinery and equipment used in the shed that could expose workers to the risk of injury e.g. belts, flywheels, cranking points, drive shafts, pulleys etc are adequately guarded.				
NOTES:					
2.8	ELECTRICAL SAFETY				
2.8.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plant electrical cables are in sound condition. <input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plant electrical cables are not worn or chewed. <input type="checkbox"/> Power leads are not frayed, chewed or exposed.				
2.8.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plant electrical cables do not obstruct work.				
2.8.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical leads must meet regulations. Power leads & cables must either have opaque molded plugs or replaceable transparent plugs				
2.8.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Power points are located between 1000–1500mm (1–1.5m) above the board level to make them easily accessible to the shearer.				
2.8.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolating transformers or Residual Current Devices (RCDs) are fitted to the main power board or individual electrical equipment to prevent electrocution. <input type="checkbox"/> The RCDs are tested regularly. <input type="checkbox"/> The power box location is known by the team and easily identified in case of emergency to throw the main switch.				
2.8.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Plugs, sockets & switches are in good working order and not cracked or broken. <input type="checkbox"/> Power sockets are not overloaded.				
2.8.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Portable power tools are in good condition and tagged. <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical equipment not-in-use is stored properly.				
2.8.8	<input type="checkbox"/> All exposed wires are not 'live' and unused electrical wiring is not present				
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3. AMENITIES & FACILITIES					
3.1 EATING AREAS, KITCHENS & FOOD PREPARATION					
3.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> A non-smoking food preparation and eating area is available separate from shearing and wool handling work areas. It has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Sink for hand washing (separate from toilet sink) <input type="checkbox"/> Separate dishwashing sink <input type="checkbox"/> Table and chairs <input type="checkbox"/> Fridge for food <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate power and water supply for the hot water urn <input type="checkbox"/> Microwave 				
3.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a clean and working refrigerator that is large enough for all cold items.				
3.1.3	<input type="checkbox"/> This area is free of all work tools and materials.				
3.1.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Power leads & cables are strung to avoid standing in water or being splashed with water.				
3.1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a clean supply of cool drinking water easily accessible to employees.				
3.1.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Any undrinkable water is labeled appropriately.				
3.1.7	<input type="checkbox"/> The area is cleaned daily.				
NOTES:					
3.2 WASHING, TOILETS & LAUNDRIES					
3.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriately clean, maintained, separate, private and secure toilets are readily available and accessible for men and women. <input type="checkbox"/> Toilets and ablution blocks are constructed to provide privacy.				
3.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> A sanitary disposal covered bin is supplied in the toilet e.g. covered waste bin with plastic bag.				
3.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/> After-toilet hand washing facilities are separate from the source of drinking water.				
3.2.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Toilets are cleaned daily.				
3.2.5	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a suitable laundry where needed.				
3.2.6	<input type="checkbox"/> There is enough hot water for showers, baths, hand basins, washing clothes and cooking.				
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3.3	SLEEPING QUARTERS				
3.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarters are maintained in sound structural condition and are habitable, clean and hygienic. <input type="checkbox"/> All entry and exit points are kept clear of obstructions/ hazards to prevent tripping and falling. <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting is sufficient. <input type="checkbox"/> Beds are firm, clean and provide good back support. <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping quarters are of adequate size. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate, private and secure toilets and bathing/shower facilities are provided for men and women.				
3.3.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Fireplaces and heaters are properly constructed and guarded with adequate smoke detectors, fire alarms, extinguishes and emergency exit procedures and signage.				

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4. WORK PRACTICES

4.3	RAMS & SHEEP SIZE				
4.3.2	<input type="checkbox"/> The shed design is suitable to handle the increased size of stock.				

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4.4	WOOL PREPARATION & WOOL PRESSING				
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4.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> The size, height and shape of the wool table and the available space around the table is suitable to mitigate risk of injuries associated with skirting, rolling and classing.				
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4.6	CHEMICALS & HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES				
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4.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> No chemicals or chemical equipment are stored or used in the shearing shed.				
4.6.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical withholding periods are known, recorded and observed for all chemical treatment of sheep.				
4.6.4	<input type="checkbox"/> All necessary safety equipment is available, accessible and in good operating condition.				

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4.11	EMERGENCIES & FIRST AID				
4.11.1	First Aid Kit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> There is a First Aid Kit in the shed and shearers' quarters when work is being done, as required by law. <input type="checkbox"/> The First Aid Kit is visible and easily accessible. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a contents replacement system in place. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a First Aid Register in the First Aid Kit for recording injuries and treatment. <input type="checkbox"/> Everyone knows where the first aid kits are located. 				
4.11.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a trained first aider available at all times when work is being done.				
4.11.3	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a Fire and Emergency Procedures Plan posted in a conspicuous place in the shearing shed.				
4.11.4	Fire Extinguishers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Fire Extinguishers are mounted in a prominent place and clearly marked for type of fire. <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Extinguishers are checked and serviced regularly to maintain charge. 				
4.11.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Exits are clear of obstructions at all times e.g. a clear exit pathway is maintained at all times.				
4.11.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Signed Exit Doors open easily from the inside.				
4.11.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Contact Numbers are readily available in the shed.				
4.11.8	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a pre-planned and known assembly area or muster point that is identified.				
NOTES:					
4.13	RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS & SIGNAGE				
4.13.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Exit Signs are in place at 2 emergency exits, as required by law.				
4.13.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Other signage is in place e.g. 'Authorised Personnel Only' or 'No Children', as appropriate, safety, no smoking.				
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5. GENERAL WORKING CONDITIONS					
5.1 WATER					
5.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a clean supply of cool drinking water easily accessible to employees.				
5.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Any undrinkable water is labeled appropriately.				
NOTES:					
5.2 HEAT & COLD					
5.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Measures are taken to mitigate the range of extreme climatic conditions.				
5.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Any skylights do not cause too much heat.				
5.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Work practices to reduce heat stress / cold problems are agreed and in place.				
NOTES:					
5.3 VENTILATION					
5.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There is ventilation that provides adequate air flow.				
5.3.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ventilation does not expose employees to extremes of heat, cold or drafts.				
NOTES:					
5.4 DUST, VAPOURS, FUMES & GASES					
5.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Measures are taken to mitigate dust in the yard and shed.				
5.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Fumes from petrol or diesel engine exhausts which power equipment is not released within the shed.				
5.4.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Action is taken to limit ammonia from stock urine in the shed.				
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5.5	DISEASES FROM ANIMALS (ZOOSES)				
5.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Good sanitary amenities are provided and maintained that promote good hygiene practices				
NOTES					
5.6	LIGHTING				
5.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> All lights work and lighting is adequate for general movement and work, especially in the main work areas.				
5.6.2	<input type="checkbox"/> External lighting works & lighting is adequate for general movement around the shed.				
NOTES					
5.7	NOISE				
5.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise is maintained below safe maximum noise levels (under 85dB over an 8 hour period) to ensure adequate communications and protection from hearing loss.				
5.7.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Corrugated iron walls found in many shearing sheds reflect noise and increase overall noise levels – there is proper sound installation installed.				
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1.7.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Lighting on the board is adequate for shearing and equipment maintenance.				
1.7.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Guards are fitted around all down tube elbow joints.				
1.7.8	<input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are made of non-stretch material. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off Ropes are in good condition e.g. not frayed and worn at the attachment to the on/off lever and are correct length. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are positioned correctly for easy access whether left or right-handed.				
NOTES:					
1.9	WOOL & PRESS ROOMS				
1.9.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Bale frames do not have sharp points that are not adequately covered.				
1.9.4	Wool Bins: <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bins are easily accessible with no trip hazards. <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bins are free of sharp metal or splinters that are not covered. <input type="checkbox"/> Wool bin is easily portable, to maneuver depending on the requirements of the day.				
NOTES:					
2. MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT					
2.1	OVERHEAD GEAR & SHEARING PLANT				
2.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are clear of clothing, towels or other potential entanglements.				
2.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Drive belts are guarded.				
2.1.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are high enough to avoid physical contact where belts and pulley meet.				
2.1.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Stop Controls <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shaft emergency stop controls are large enough for emergency stops. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency stop controls are located for easy access by shearers and woolclasser (e.g. between the wool table and the nearest stand). <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Stop Controls are clearly identified.				
2.1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual shearing plant units are fitted safely and securely.				
2.1.7	<input type="checkbox"/> All Shearing plants & equipment are appropriately serviced, installed and maintained, to work correctly <input type="checkbox"/> Downtubes are in good condition and correctly installed, the lower end of downtube describes a circle of approximately 275mm <input type="checkbox"/> Safety clutches are in good condition, properly adjusted <input type="checkbox"/> Safety clutch tension setting is not greater than 2-9Nm (26 in/lb) <input type="checkbox"/> Tension wrench that fits the safety clutch is available <input type="checkbox"/> Protective covers are placed over the shearing plant and downtube when not in use. <input type="checkbox"/> Joint guards are fitted to all joints.				
NOTES:					

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2.2	BACK HARNESS SUPPORTS				
2.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points are secure and fastened correctly. They are located correctly and clear of obstructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Back aid fixing points have chains long enough to prevent excessive 'pendulum' lifting effect on shearers as they move.				
NOTES:					
2.4	GRINDERS				
2.4.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety glasses or face shields; earmuffs or ear plugs and dust mask are provided. <input type="checkbox"/> Safety signage for eye and hearing protection is in place. <input type="checkbox"/> Grinding is done by skilled and trained persons.				
NOTES:					
2.5	WOOLPRESS				
2.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The Woolpress is fully guarded with an interlocking door mechanism, to exclude hand & arm access during activation.				
2.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is an Emergency Safety Stop switch or bar fitted and properly adjusted. <input type="checkbox"/> There is appropriate signage to identify the Emergency Safety Stop switch.				
NOTES:					
2.7	UNGUARDED MACHINERY				
2.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> All moving parts of machinery and equipment used in the shed that could expose workers to the risk of injury e.g. belts, flywheels, cranking points, drive shafts, pulleys etc are adequately guarded.				
NOTES:					

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2.8	ELECTRICAL SAFETY				
2.8.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolating transformers or Residual Current Devices (RCDs) are fitted to the main power board or individual electrical equipment to prevent electrocution. <input type="checkbox"/> The RCDs are tested regularly. <input type="checkbox"/> The power box location is known by the team and easily identified in case of emergency to throw the main switch.				
NOTES:					
3. AMENITIES & FACILITIES					
3.1	EATING AREAS, KITCHENS & FOOD PREPARATION				
3.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> A non-smoking food preparation and eating area is available separate from shearing and wool handling work areas. It has: <input type="checkbox"/> Sink for hand washing (separate from toilet sink) <input type="checkbox"/> Separate dishwashing sink <input type="checkbox"/> Table and chairs <input type="checkbox"/> Fridge for food <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate power and water supply for the hot water urn <input type="checkbox"/> Microwave				
3.1.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Power leads & cables are strung to avoid standing in water or being splashed with water.				
NOTES:					
3.2	WASHING, TOILETS & LAUNDRIES				
3.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriately clean, maintained, separate, private and secure toilets are readily available and accessible for men and women. <input type="checkbox"/> Toilets and ablution blocks are constructed to provide privacy.				
NOTES:					

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4. WORK PRACTICES					
4.2 PRESENTATION OF SHEEP					
4.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Yarding of sheep "drained" (removal from food & water) is overnight ¹ . Discussion between contractor and grower as to the number of sheep to be drained overnight.				
4.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure withholding periods for chemicals are adhered to prior to shearing / crutching.				
NOTES:					
4.3 RAMS & SHEEP SIZE					
4.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Prior to shearing rams, negotiations between the owner/manager and contractor/shearing team has determined a suitable method for shearing e.g. ram sedation, extra support and extra draining time prior to shearing.				
NOTES:					
4.6 CHEMICALS & HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES					
4.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> No chemicals or chemical equipment are stored or used in the shearing shed.				
4.6.4	<input type="checkbox"/> All necessary safety equipment is available, accessible and in good operating condition.				
NOTES:					
4.11 EMERGENCIES & FIRST AID					
4.11.1	First Aid Kit <input type="checkbox"/> There is a First Aid Kit in the shed and shearers' quarters when work is being done, as required by law. <input type="checkbox"/> The First Aid Kit is visible and easily accessible. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a contents replacement system in place. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a First Aid Register in the First Aid Kit for recording injuries and treatment. <input type="checkbox"/> Everyone knows where the first aid kits are located.				
4.11.4	Fire Extinguishers: <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Fire Extinguishers are mounted in a prominent place and clearly marked for type of fire. <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Extinguishers are checked and serviced regularly to maintain charge.				
NOTES:					

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5. GENERAL WORKING CONDITIONS					
5.1 WATER					
5.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a clean supply of cool drinking water easily accessible to employees.				
NOTES:					
5.4 DUST, VAPOURS, FUMES & GASES					
5.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Fumes from petrol or diesel engine exhausts which power equipment is not released within the shed.				
NOTES:					
5.7 NOISE					
5.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise is maintained below safe maximum noise levels (under 85dB over an 8 hour period) to ensure adequate communications and protection from hearing loss.				
NOTES					

¹Pastoral Award (2010) requires yarding for a minimum of 8 hours, however due to increasing weight and size of sheep, best practice is to yard overnight.

4. INDUCTION CHECKLIST

This checklist should be used by the employer with the shearing team to ensure all important work practices are identified and that all shed staff are aware of work practices and safety information.

Name of woolgrower:	
Name of property:	
Property address:	
Completed by (name):	<input type="checkbox"/> Woolgrower <input type="checkbox"/> Shearing team

ITEM #	HAZARDS / RISKS	RISK LEVEL	WHO	BY WHEN	DATE COMP
1. THE SHEARING SHED					
1.9	WOOL & PRESS ROOMS				
1.9.1	Wool Table - is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> large enough to hold the fleece <input type="checkbox"/> free of protrusions or sharp corners/edges <input type="checkbox"/> height adjustable <input type="checkbox"/> adjusted to an appropriate height <input type="checkbox"/> easily portable, to maneuver depending on the requirements of the day e.g. no. stands being used, skirting or not. 				
1.9.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Bale handling is done with safe bale hooks and appropriate trolleys.				
NOTES:					
2. MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT					
2.1	OVERHEAD GEAR & SHEARING PLANT				
2.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are clear of clothing, towels or other potential entanglements.				
2.1.4	Emergency Stop Controls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shaft emergency stop controls are large enough for emergency stops. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency stop controls are located for easy access by shearers and woolclasser (e.g. between the wool table and the nearest stand). <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Stop Controls are clearly identified. 				
NOTES:					

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2.3	HANDPIECES				
2.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> A correctly operating worm drive is fitted to all handpieces. <input type="checkbox"/> Handpiece vibration is not excessive <input type="checkbox"/> Handpieces & parts are maintained & adjusted and monitored appropriately by shearers e.g. combs & cutters are safe thickness				
NOTES:					
2.4	GRINDERS				
2.4.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Grinder electrical leads & cords are out of the way with no risk of being cut, entangled, damaged or causing trip hazard.				
2.4.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety glasses or face shields; earmuffs or ear plugs and dust mask are provided. <input type="checkbox"/> Safety signage for eye and hearing protection is in place. <input type="checkbox"/> Grinding is done by skilled and trained persons.				
NOTES:					
2.5	WOOLPRESS				
2.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is an Emergency Safety Stop switch or bar fitted and properly adjusted. <input type="checkbox"/> There is appropriate signage to identify the Emergency Safety Stop switch.				
NOTES:					
2.6	TOOL & EQUIPMENT STORAGE				
2.6.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There are no loose tools and equipment on the board that pose a slipping/tripping hazard or damage to tools and equipment.				
2.6.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plants are not used as a location to hang toweling, cutters and other gear.				
NOTES:					

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2.8	ELECTRICAL SAFETY				
2.8.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolating transformers or Residual Current Devices (RCDs) are fitted to the main power board or individual electrical equipment to prevent electrocution. <input type="checkbox"/> The RCDs are tested regularly. <input type="checkbox"/> The power box location is known by the team and easily identified in case of emergency to throw the main switch.				
NOTES:					
4.	WORK PRACTICES				
4.1	PENNING				
4.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Take care when penning-up to avoid slips, trips and falls due to either contact with sheep or pen barriers, butting by sheep, jamming fingers, cuts from protruding/ sharp objects and dog bites.				
NOTES:					
4.4	WOOL PREPARATION & WOOL PRESSING				
4.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The training and skills of woolpress operators is confirmed by the supervisor before the press is used.				
NOTES:					
4.5	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING				
4.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed staff do not wear loose clothing or inappropriate footwear which increase the risk of injury.				
4.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing footwear is worn that protects the feet, improves grip and stability with decreased risks of slipping, falling and fatigue.				
NOTES:					

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4.7	HYGIENE				
4.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> There is good personal hygiene by all workers in the shed to reduce the risk of infection to cuts and grazes.				
	FITNESS, WARMING UP / DOWN				
	<input type="checkbox"/> There is adequate warm up and warm down by workers at the start and finish of each "run".				
	DRUGS, ALCOHOL & SMOKING				
	<input type="checkbox"/> There is adequate warm up and warm down by workers at the start and finish of each "run".				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug and alcohol use at or prior to work in a shearing shed is not tolerated.				
	DOGS & VISITORS				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Animals are kept away from shearing, wool handling and traffic areas & exit points e.g. in sheep penning/working areas only.				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-working visitors are restricted from the shed e.g. no child-minding or 'play' is allowed in the workplace.				
4.11	EMERGENCIES & FIRST AID				
4.11.1	First Aid Kit <input type="checkbox"/> Everyone knows where the first aid kits are located.				
4.11.2	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a trained first aider available at all times when work is being done.				
4.11.3	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a Fire and Emergency Procedures Plan posted in a conspicuous place in the shearing shed.				
4.11.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Everyone knows where the fire extinguishers are located.				
4.11.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Exits are clear of obstructions at all times e.g. a clear exit pathway is maintained at all times.				
4.11.8	<input type="checkbox"/> There is a pre-planned and known assembly area or muster point that is identified.				
4.12	TRAVEL				
4.12.1	<input type="checkbox"/> All vehicles should be safe and roadworthy and driven by licensed and physically competent drivers. <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals should be physically prepared for distance driving and have clear directions to properties.				
4.12.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue needs to be managed. Ensure that the driver is not tired.				
4.13	RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS & SIGNAGE				
4.13.1	<input type="checkbox"/> A risk management system is in place where all workers can participate in the identification of hazards.				
NOTES:					

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5. GENERAL WORKING CONDITIONS					
5.1	WATER				
5.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Any undrinkable water is labeled appropriately.				
5.2	HEAT & COLD				
5.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Work practices to reduce heat stress / cold problems are agreed and in place.				
5.5	DISEASES FROM ANIMALS (ZOOSES)				
5.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Work practices are in place to limit worker exposure to infection.				
5.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Good sanitary amenities are provided and maintained that promote good hygiene practices				
5.7	NOISE				
5.7.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise is maintained below safe maximum noise levels (under 85dB over an 8 hour period) to ensure adequate communications and protection from hearing loss.				
NOTES					

5. POST SHEARING CHECKLIST

This checklist should be used by a woolgrower and the shearing contractor immediately after shearing to report any issues noticed or items broken or damaged during shearing.

Name of woolgrower:	
Name of property:	
Property address:	
Completed by (name):	<input type="checkbox"/> Woolgrower <input type="checkbox"/> Shearing team

ITEM #	HAZARDS / RISKS	RISK LEVEL	WHO	BY WHEN	DATE COMP
1. THE SHEARING SHED					
1.1	SHED STRUCTURE				
1.1.3	Step/Stairs <input type="checkbox"/> All steps and stairs are in good condition.				
NOTES:					
1.3	FLOORING				
1.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Floors & battens throughout the shed are sound and well maintained. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no missing, rotting, warped, loose, slippery flooring or flooring made of high friction material (e.g. melwire). <input type="checkbox"/> There are no protruding nails & screws.				
1.3.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Floors where a bale trolley is used are level and free of broken timber flooring. <input type="checkbox"/> There are no large tin patches, sagging tin or raised edges.				
NOTES:					

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1.4	RAMPS & YARDING				
1.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> The sheep entry ramp is sound and without broken or rotting planks and battens.				
NOTES:					
1.5	SHEEP PENS, RACES & GATES				
1.5.3	<input type="checkbox"/> Sides of pens, races and gates are free of protrusions, sharp edges and splinters, posing hazards for workers.				
1.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Gate hinges in penning up area are present and working.				
1.5.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Gate catches and stops in penning up area operate easily and are easy to operate one-handed.				
NOTES:					
1.6	CATCHING PENS, GATEWAYS & DOORS				
1.6.6	Flooring: <input type="checkbox"/> The flooring is in good condition, with no rotten or loose battens.				
1.6.7	Catching Pen Doors: <input type="checkbox"/> The doors are self-closing and close completely & automatically with each use. <input type="checkbox"/> The doors swing in both directions (optional based on shearer preference).				
NOTES:					
1.7	SHEARING BOARD				
1.7.7	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Guards are fitted around all down tube elbow joints.				
1.7.8	<input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are made of non-stretch material. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off Ropes are in good condition e.g. not frayed and worn at the attachment to the on/off lever and are correct length. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are positioned correctly for easy access whether left or right-handed.				
1.7.8	<input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are made of non-stretch material. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off Ropes are in good condition e.g. not frayed and worn at the attachment to the on/off lever and are correct length. <input type="checkbox"/> On/off ropes are positioned correctly for easy access whether left or right-handed.				
NOTES:					

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1.8 LET GO AREA					
1.8.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Exit runs for sheep are clear of debris and are without torn and sharp metal, timber or fittings.				
NOTES:					
1.9 WOOL & PRESS ROOMS					
1.9.1	Wool Table - is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> large enough to hold the fleece <input type="checkbox"/> free of protrusions or sharp corners/edges <input type="checkbox"/> height adjustable <input type="checkbox"/> adjusted to an appropriate height <input type="checkbox"/> easily portable, to maneuver depending on the requirements of the day e.g. no. stands being used, skirting or not. 				
1.9.2	Flooring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Any concrete floors around the wool table are fitted with anti-fatigue matting. <input type="checkbox"/> Flooring is even and without significant cracks posing hazards for workers operating in these areas and standing on uneven surfaces for prolonged periods of time. 				
NOTES:					
2. MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT					
2.1 OVERHEAD GEAR & SHEARING PLANT					
2.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Overhead drive shafts, belts & gears are clear of clothing, towels or other potential entanglements.				
NOTES:					

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2.5	WOOLPRESS				
2.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/> The Woolpress is fully guarded with an interlocking door mechanism, to exclude hand & arm access during activation.				
2.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydraulic Lines are inspected, and worn lines are replaced to eliminate leaks.				
2.5.7	<input type="checkbox"/> The woolpress is free of any protrusions and sharp edges.				
NOTES:					
2.8	ELECTRICAL SAFETY				
2.8.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plant electrical cables are in sound condition. <input type="checkbox"/> Shearing plant electrical cables are not worn or chewed. <input type="checkbox"/> Power leads are not frayed, chewed or exposed.				
2.8.6	<input type="checkbox"/> Plugs, sockets & switches are in good working order and not cracked or broken. <input type="checkbox"/> Power sockets are not overloaded.				
2.8.8	<input type="checkbox"/> All exposed wires are not 'live' and unused electrical wiring is not present.				
NOTES:					
3. AMENITIES & FACILITIES					
3.2	WASHING, TOILETS & LAUNDRIES				
3.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriately clean, maintained, separate, private and secure toilets are readily available and accessible for men and women. <input type="checkbox"/> Toilets and ablution blocks are constructed to provide privacy.				
3.2.4	<input type="checkbox"/> Toilets are cleaned daily.				
NOTES:					

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4. WORK PRACTICES					
4.13 RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS & SIGNAGE					
4.13.3	<input type="checkbox"/> A risk management system is in place where all workers can participate in the identification of hazards.				
NOTES:					
5. GENERAL WORKING CONDITIONS					
5.2 HEAT & COLD					
5.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/> Any skylights do not cause too much heat.				
NOTES:					
5.6 LIGHTING					
5.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/> All lights work and lighting is adequate for general movement and work, especially in the main work areas.				
NOTES:					



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