



On-farm Quality Assurance – Specification & Declaration for Raising Claims

PURPOSE:

This specification details the required standards to deliver our “Raising Claims” and satisfy all requirements for the export and labelling of our lamb products to multiple global markets.

RAISING CLAIMS:

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| 1. NON GMO PROJECT | 2. Raised without Antibiotics | 3. 100% Grass Fed |
| 4. Vegetarian Diet | 5. Pasture Raised | 6. Free Range |
| 7. No Added Hormones | | |

SPECIFICATION:

- All lambs supplied to this specification will be Free Range, Pasture Fed and have year round access to grass, (e.g. hay, silage, lucerne or non-grain feed crops) and the only permitted supplementary feedstuffs are NZ non-grain grown fodder crops.
- Antibiotics are not routinely used in the production of Quality Assured lambs.
 - Should any antibiotics be administered to lambs as an individual animal treatment this stock must be identified at the time of treatment and separated from untreated stock prior to transport off the property and supplied under a separate ASD.
 - Lambs administered with antibiotics will fail to qualify under this specification.
- Lambs under this specification will comply with NZ law where it is an offence to:
 - Feed ruminant protein in any form, composition or admixture to sheep or lambs.
 - Administer any HGP's to sheep or lambs.
- Currently:
 - No HGP's have been registered for use in sheep or lambs in NZ.
 - *Currently no GMOs have been approved for introduction into NZ.
 - *No GM seeds have been approved for release into the NZ Environment.
 - *No fresh fruit, vegetables or meat sold in NZ are genetically modified.

*REF: <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/regs/imports/plants/gmo>
- Lambs supplied under this specification will not have been fed any grain or grain by-products, or compounded or imported or manufactured feed in their lifetime.
 - Should any lambs be fed any such feed they will fail to qualify under this specification.
- For any and all lambs supplied under this specification that were not born on your property a signed copy of both this Specification / Declaration and appropriately completed ASD will be obtained from the previous owner and be retained by the supplier of stock to the plant for a minimum of 2 years and be available within 48 hours when required for audit purposes.
 - The processing plant representative and/or an independent 3rd party will audit samples of these declaration documents and accompanying ASD's for validity.



ASD DECLARATIONS:

Lambs supplied that comply with this specification will be accompanied by an ASD containing the following statements.

			Yes	No	
1. Are you an Atkins Ranch GAP	Yes, #	Expiry Date:	OR a Pasture Raised QA Supplier?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Have any of the lambs in this line been administered antibiotics in any form?			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
3. Have any of the lambs in this line been fed anything other than grass, hay, silage, Lucerne or (non grain) feed crops grown in NZ?			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
4. Have any of the lambs in this line been fed any grain or grain by products or any imported stock feed or manufactured stock feed?			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
5. Have any of the lambs in this line ever been fed Lucerne?			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
6. If the answer to question 5. is 'Yes' then was the Lucerne grown on a farm in NZ?			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
7. For lambs in this line that were not born on your property - have you received and will you retain for a minimum of 2 years a signed copy of an appropriately completed ASD and a copy of the Atkins Ranch Quality Assurance Declaration from each of the previous owners and provided Atkins Ranch Livestock Administration with a copy.			N/A	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

DECLARATION:

I verify that lambs supplied from my property have been produced in agreement with this specification and its requirements will be certified with an appropriate response in the Quality Assurance Declaration section of the accompanying ASD.

I agree my farming business is available to be visited by an Atkins Ranch Livestock representative if required.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____