

# AUSTRALIAN GRAIN STORAGE & PROTECTION CONFERENCE

Industry Obligations

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Meeting Market Requirements

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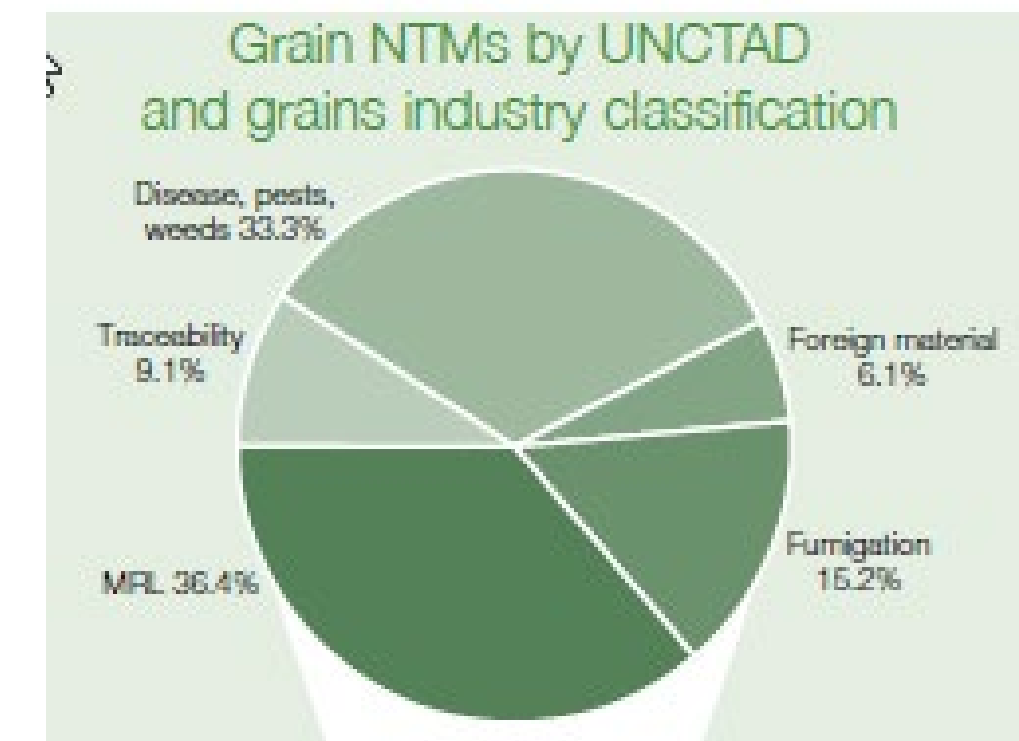


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- **Understanding the Contract v Regulations required to be met**

- **MRLs are often not mentioned in contracts**
- **Various chemical regulations may be listed:**
  - **Individual country**
  - **International (e.g., Codex Alimentarius, ASEAN, GCC)**
  - **Pesticide Residue Free**
  - **Silent on chemicals**

- **Is included in various industry documents including “all Grain Trading Standards”**
  - **If you trade using GTA Standards (cereals/pulses/oilseeds) the following applies**



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## **Section 2 – WHEAT TRADING STANDARDS**

**2019/20 SEASON**

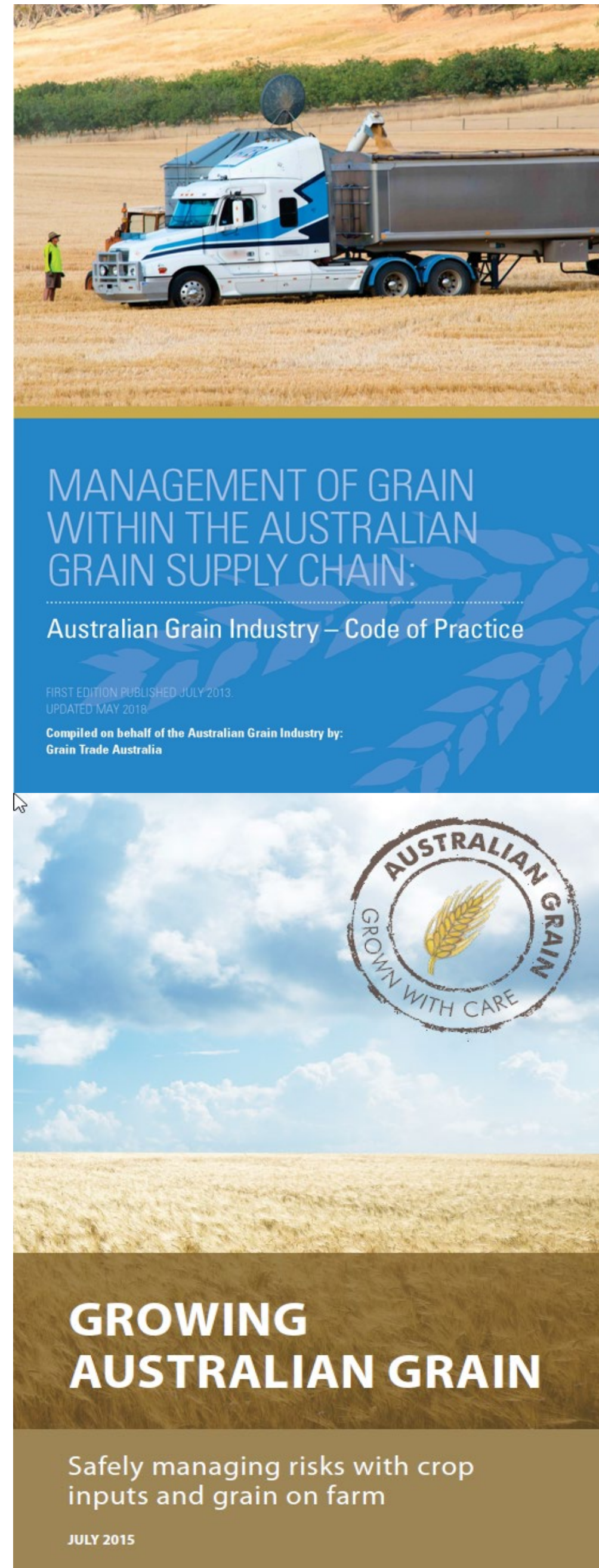
**Chemicals not Approved for Wheat – nil tolerance refers to the following:**

- *Chemicals used on the growing crop in the State or Territory where the wheat was grown in contravention of the label*
- *Chemicals used on stored wheat in contravention of the label*
- *Chemicals not registered for use on wheat*
- *Wheat containing any artificial colouring, pickling compound or marker dye commonly used during crop spraying operations that has stained the wheat*
- *Wheat treated with or contaminated by Carbaryl, Organochloride chemicals, or diatomaceous earth*
- *Chemical residues in excess of Australian Commonwealth, State or Territory legal limits*

**Need to link back requirements to the supplier and records**

## Industry Obligations cont.

- Included in various industry documents including “Code of Practice”
  - **Mandatory for all GTA members**
  - *“Industry is committed to complying with relevant Australian and International chemical regulations”*
  - **NRS participation mandatory (but not rely on)**
  - **Must know status of grain prior to outload/loading**
- **On-farm Stewardship Guide by GPA**
  - **Signed off by all major grower groups**
  - **Recognises importance of chemical use v trade**
  - **Link with on-farm chemical use and market “risk”**



# Key Messages to Trade

- **Compliance with regulations mandatory**
- **One strike policy has implications for:**
  1. **Reputational risks**
  2. **Competitor pressures**
  3. **Commercial resolution of contract default or negotiation**
  4. **Government intervention & cargo rejection**
  5. **Increased scrutiny**
    - **For all marketers/exporters**
    - **Increased sampling, testing at loadpoint and discharge (\$)**
  6. **Future availability of key chemicals – weed control & levels in grain**

