

## **Member Update**

**Title:** **Appointment of GTA Arbitrators**

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### **1 Issue**

The GTA Dispute Resolution Service is a core activity of GTA and is reliant on the nomination and subsequent appointment of Arbitrators from the grain industry who are prepared to act in this important capacity.

GTA strongly recommends that every Member should have at least one staff member on the arbitration panel.

### **2 Requirements to be an Arbitrator**

Recognised Arbitrators may be employed by Members of Grain Trade Australia (GTA) or Non-members and shall meet the following criteria:

- (a) be well versed in the practices and customs of the grain trade;
- (b) have a thorough understanding of the GTA Trade Rules and GTA Arbitration Rules;
- (c) have not less than five years experience in the grain trade or grain related industry, **or** is a professional Arbitrator;
- (d) not be a bankrupt, insolvent, or in receivership; and
- (e) not be convicted of a felony.

### **3 Appointment and duration**

- Arbitrators shall be approved by the GTA Board.
- Appointments as a GTA Arbitrator shall remain valid for a period of three years.

### **4 Nomination**

The following information and forms can be found on the GTA website:

<http://www.graintrade.org.au/dispute-resolution/arbitrators>

- GTA Arbitrator Nomination Form
- GTA Arbitrator Q & A

### **5 GTA Arbitration Guidelines - February 2013**

The Arbitration Guidelines should be read by anyone considering GTA Arbitration and before directing inquiries to GTA. They set out GTA's policy and seek to provide clarification in relation to various aspects of GTA Arbitration practice and procedure.

They are to be read in conjunction with the applicable Trade Rules and Dispute Resolution Rules, the applicable legislation and case law. [http://www.graintrade.org.au/dispute\\_resolution](http://www.graintrade.org.au/dispute_resolution)