

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

## **CAPE WOOLS SA SHEARER AND FARMWORKER TRAINING SERVICES (1 July 2020 to 30 JUNE 2021)**

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### REPORTING PERIOD

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## 1. SUMMARY OF REQUIRED SERVICES

1.1 Maintain a relevant and up to date curriculum with approved accreditation.

- The Curriculum is up to date, approved, and accredited.

1.2 Active involvement in the combined shearing and risk committee of the wool and mohair industries.

- The NWGA General Manager and The Manager: Shearer Training is part of the Shearing Advisory Committee that includes both the mohair and wool industries.

1.3 Certify as trained at least 566 qualified machine and blade shearers.

- A total of 153 advanced and intermediate machine shearers were trained.
- 93 new machine shearing recruits were trained.
- 381 advanced and intermediate blade shearers were trained.
- 104 new blade shearing recruits were trained.
- In total 696 South African shearers and 35 Lesotho shearers were trained this year.

*Pictures below provides a view on Sheep shearer training that was presented throughout the wool producing areas of SA in both commercial and communal farming areas during the period of report.*





1.4 It is the responsibility of the NWGA to determine, in conjunction with the combined shearing and risks committee, the needs within the wool industry in South Africa in order to prioritize the type of training to be conducted, whether it be machine or hand shearing.

- The shearing advisory committee liaises with all the relevant role players to determine training priorities.

1.5 The NWGA must at all times avail itself of internationally accepted practices to focus the shearing on sustainable standards, including the Sustainable Cape Wool Standard.

- International instructors regularly conduct training courses for NWGA instructors and advanced shearers. Due to Covid-19, international travel between South Africa and New-Zealand was prohibited. Subsequently, it was not possible to invite international instructors.

1.6 Offer blade to machine conversion courses and proactively encourage conversion courses.

- Conversion courses were not conducted, as there were no requests for these courses.

1.7 Publish a list of shearing instructors trained annually.

- A complete list of trained shearing instructors is available at the shearer training office in Bloemfontein.

1.8 Host at least a national shearing competition.

- A national shearing competition could not be held due to Covid-19 restrictions.

1.9 Deliver demonstrations to agricultural school- and college students when considered feasible and identified as NWGA priority, considering all financial constraints.



- No demonstrations were held due to Covid-19 restrictions.

1.10 Train at least 570 farm workers (including contract labour) on, but not limited to the following:

- a) Animal Handling during pre-shearing
- b) Animal handling during shearing
- c) Animal handling post shearing
- d) Basic biosecurity awareness and training
- e) Shearing shed management
- f) Chemical store and animal remedy store management
- g) General record keeping

- A total of 800 farm workers were trained during the reporting period. Courses in sheep handling, which includes the topics mentioned under point 6.10, as well as wool handling courses were presented.

*Pictures below are from various training interventions with farm workers.*







## **2. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

### **2.1 Reports**

- Monthly actual and cumulative progress reports are required. (individual and cumulative reports directly to CWSA are required) (including training i.t.o 1.8).

Signed at Bloemfontein on 27 August 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JL Venter', with a stylized, cursive script.

JL Venter

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