



**Australian Government**

**Australian Grape and Wine Authority**



# Label Integrity Program

GUIDE FOR WINE GRAPE GROWERS

## ABOUT THIS GUIDE

This Guide has been prepared to assist wine grape growers in understanding the changes to the regulatory framework for the Label Integrity Program (LIP) in the amended *Australian Grape and Wine Authority Act 1980*.

The LIP is the principal regulatory mechanism through which Australia's international wine reputation is protected. Following a review of the operation of the system, several amendments have recently been made to the Act to ensure traceability throughout the entire supply chain.

This Guide does not constitute legal advice. Growers are encouraged to consult the Act on the Comlaw website: [www.comlaw.gov.au](http://www.comlaw.gov.au) and to seek professional legal advice if necessary.

## WINE GRAPE GROWER REQUIREMENTS

Wine grape growers are now required to keep written records whenever they supply grapes to another person.

For each transaction, a grower must keep a written record that contains the following information:

- The grower's name and address;
- The name and address of the winery receiving the grapes;
- The date the grower supplies the grapes;
- The quantity in tonnes of the grapes supplied;
- The vintage, variety and geographical indication of the grapes.

### **Please note:**

1. A copy of the record must be provided to the person to whom the grapes are supplied.
2. The format of this statement is not prescribed so the required information can be included on any existing standard commercial document that is routinely used, such as weighbridge note if considered appropriate.
3. Records must be made within 3 days of the transaction and retained for 7 years.

## FURTHER ASSISTANCE

Further assistance can be obtained from the Australian Grape and Wine Authority or at the following website: [www.agwa.net.au](http://www.agwa.net.au)

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