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**MERINO SA****APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Merino SA (since 1937) is the regulating body of the Merino industry. It serves as the mutual forum for registered and commercial Merino breeders, and acts as the planner and mouthpiece of all Merino affairs in South Africa. Mission: To promote the Merino industry in South Africa and genetically improve the Merino breed by means of excellent services and cooperation with all stakeholders.

**1 I hereby apply for membership of Merino SA, and agree to:**

- a) Persons involved in the breeding of animals may apply for membership of the Society.
  - i. Provided that they own at least 50 Merino stud-animal ewes which qualify to be recorded in the Merino Studbook, or 50 Merino ewes approved by an accredited inspector of the Society to be recorded in the Merino Register.
  - ii. Inspection is done of Merino ewes and rams which the applicant suggests for stud purposes. These animals must have been shorn at least once and have wool growth of more than four months.
  - iii. All animals must be tattooed with the breeder's registered register mark as required by the Animal Identification Act (Act No 6 of 2002). All animals recorded in the Studbook or the Merino Register must be identified by the breeder's Flock Designation Number (stud number), year in which the animal was born and a sequence number.
- b) Merino SA Constitution and Bye-laws stipulations, and specifically
  - i. All membership fees or any other fees and commission payable to the Society is determined by Council. The annual membership fees are payable in advance before 1 July. Interest and/or fines may be charged on overdue accounts. At termination of membership, the member shall remain accountable for all amounts owed. Should an account be handed over for collection, the member shall be held liable for paying all legal costs and collection fees.
  - ii. Any member may resign as member of the Society by giving written notice before 30 April. No membership fees or part thereof shall be refundable and all obligations to the Society must be settled.
  - iii. Any fees regarding the recording or registering of animals or additional administrative obligations shall be payable by the member to the institution that provides the service.
  - iv. Legal entities that apply for membership must provide details of the person that will act on their behalf and be responsible for fulfilling all requirements. A partnership must provide the full names and addresses of all partners, and they will be individually and collectively responsible for all requirements of the Society.
  - v. Each member must notify the Society in writing of any change in address and contact details. All notifications or publications sent to a member's recorded postal or e-mail address shall be considered as duly served upon such a member.
- c) All auctions by members of Merino SA must be conducted under the auspices of the Society and conform to the Auction rules and regulations as drawn up by Council. Prescribed rules on Publishing of auction catalogues, Auction results, Commission and Auction photos must be adhered to. Commission payable to Merino SA is 1,5% of the turnover on rams sold.

## 2 Membership Application details

Title, Full names and Surname ID number	
b) Legal entity / Other name *	
* Type of member: Individual, Partnership, Company, Trust, Other: <i>Authorised person as in a) above.</i>	
Farm name	Tel. no.
P.O. Box	Cell. no.
Town	VAT no.
Province	Postal code
e-mail address	
Preferred Stud name <i>If previously a member of Merino SA, the same Stud name and/or number may be issued if requested.</i>	
Merino SA notifies SA Stud Book of your membership. If you would like to take part in the recording services of SA Stud Book, register directly with: philna@studbook.co.za of 081 410 0900	

Signed at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
20\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of applicant or proxy

Nickname and Surname (print)

## 3 Inspection for Merino Stud registration (Min. wool growth 4 months and age two tooth) *Please attach the fully completed **Inspection Report** (page 3)*

Description	Merino Ewes	Merino Rams
Number supplied for inspection		
Number approved		
Flock history (Type of Merinos, ram and/or ewe purchases and from which breeders, other info)		

Hereby I, the undersigned Merino Adviser, declare that I did the Merino stud inspection for the applicant with details as in 2 above. The summarised information is listed in the table.

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Name (print)	Signature	Advisor code	Date

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## Merino SA Inspection report for all official Merino ram auctions AND Stud inspections

Alle Ramme en Ooie, goedgekeur en afgekeur, moet aangedui word. / *All Rams and Ewes, approved and rejected, must be entered*

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