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## CHANGE TO DECO CHEMICAL REPORTING TEMPLATE

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Export licences and permits issued by the Defence Export Control Office (DECO) are often issued subject to conditions. Some of these conditions require approval holders to submit export reports to DECO. On the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2009 new standardised templates were introduced for this purpose. All permits and licences issued since this day require approval holders to submit a report using *Form DEC52 - Report for Chemicals*.

DECO has made some slight changes to the template to meet the requirements of the Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office. The changes require chemical quantities to be submitted in net weight and measured in grams, kilograms or metric tonnes. The Australian Harmonised Export Commodity Classification Code (AHECC) quoted on the Export Declaration to the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service must also be included on the report. These requirements align with Australia's international reporting obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Exporters are requested to submit all future reports using the new template indicated by the reference *Form: DEC52 (R20090914)* on the top left hand side of *DEC52 - Report for Chemicals*.

Companies with existing licences and permits are encouraged to use the new form which can be downloaded from the DECO website at [www.defence.gov.au/strategy/deco/forms.htm](http://www.defence.gov.au/strategy/deco/forms.htm).

If you have any questions or require further assistance you can contact the DECO compliance team on 1800 66 10 66 and press option 2.