

South Australia

Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Clare Valley Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2008

under the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act 1998*

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1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Clare Valley Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2008*.

2—Commencement

These regulations come into operation on the day on which they are made.

3—Interpretation

- (1) In these regulations, unless the contrary intention appears—

Act means the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act 1998*;

Clare Valley means the geographical area in relation to which the geographical indication "Clare Valley" is in force under the *Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation Act 1980* of the Commonwealth at the commencement of these regulations (see Schedule 1);

Clare Valley grapes means any variety of grapes grown in the Clare Valley and used or intended to be used for wine;

Clare Valley winemaker means a person who carries on a business of making wine and who processes Clare Valley grapes for that purpose;

default in relation to contributions to the Fund—see subregulation (2);

delivered—see subregulation (3);

Fund—see regulation 4;

prescribed grower rate—see Schedule 2;

prescribed period means each of the following periods:

- (a) the day on which these regulations come into operation to 31 May 2008;
- (b) 1 June 2008 to 31 May 2009;
- (c) 1 June 2009 to 31 May 2010;
- (d) 1 June 2010 to 31 May 2011;
- (e) 1 June 2011 to 31 May 2012;

prescribed winemaker rate—see Schedule 2.

- (2) A person is in *default* in relation to contributions to the Fund if, within the immediately preceding 2 prescribed periods—
 - (a) all or some of the contributions payable to the Fund by the person have not been paid; or
 - (b) the person has been refunded contributions from the Fund.
- (3) For the purposes of these regulations—
 - (a) grapes will be taken to be *delivered* to a Clare Valley winemaker by a grower of Clare Valley grapes when the winemaker takes possession of the grapes; and
 - (b) if a Clare Valley winemaker processes Clare Valley grapes grown by the winemaker, grapes will be taken to be *delivered* to the winemaker when the winemaker places the grapes in a container for the purposes of commencing processing of the grapes (including placing the grapes in a container for fermentation or in preparation for crushing or pressing).

4—Clare Valley Wine Industry Fund

- (1) The Clare Valley Wine Industry Fund (the *Fund*) is established.
- (2) The Fund will be administered by the Minister.
- (3) The Fund consists of—
 - (a) contributions paid or collected in accordance with these regulations; and
 - (b) income of the Fund from investment; and
 - (c) any other sums received by the Minister for payment into the Fund.

5—Contributions to Fund

- (1) The following contributions are payable to the Minister for payment into the Fund for Clare Valley grapes delivered to a Clare Valley winemaker during a prescribed period:
 - (a) the winemaker must contribute the prescribed winemaker rate for each tonne of grapes delivered during the prescribed period (rounded down to the nearest tonne of grapes);

- (b) if the grapes are grown by a person other than the winemaker, the grower of the grapes must contribute the prescribed grower rate for each tonne of grapes delivered during the prescribed period (rounded down to the nearest tonne of grapes).
- (2) The contributions are payable on or before the last day of the month that immediately follows the prescribed period.
- (3) Contributions payable by a grower of Clare Valley grapes must be paid on behalf of the grower by the Clare Valley winemaker who purchases the grapes out of the amount payable by the winemaker to the grower for the grapes.
- (4) A Clare Valley winemaker must—
 - (a) keep proper records relating to the tonnage of Clare Valley grapes delivered to the winemaker, the growers of those grapes and the contributions required to be made (on the winemaker's own behalf and on behalf of growers) in respect of those grapes; and
 - (b) make those records available for inspection at any reasonable time by a person authorised by the Minister for the purpose.
- (5) A Clare Valley winemaker must, on or before the last day of the month that immediately follows a prescribed period—
 - (a) furnish the Minister with a financial statement relating to the contributions (on the winemaker's own behalf and on behalf of growers) for Clare Valley grapes delivered during that prescribed period that—
 - (i) is in the form, and contains the information, required by the Minister; and
 - (ii) is, if the person has the necessary equipment, in an electronic form acceptable to the Minister; and
 - (b) forward to the Minister, with the financial statement required by paragraph (a), the required contributions (on the winemaker's own behalf and on behalf of growers) for Clare Valley grapes delivered during the prescribed period to which the financial statement relates.

6—Refunds of contributions

- (1) Refunds of contributions paid in respect of Clare Valley grapes delivered during a prescribed period may be claimed by notice in writing to the Minister within the 12 months following that prescribed period as follows:
 - (a) a grower of Clare Valley grapes may claim a refund in respect of contributions paid by the grower or by a Clare Valley winemaker on behalf of the grower;
 - (b) a Clare Valley winemaker may claim a refund in respect of contributions paid on the winemaker's own behalf.
- (2) A person claiming a refund under subregulation (1) must supply the Minister with evidence acceptable to the Minister of the contributions made by or on behalf of the claimant in respect of which the claim for refund is made.

- (3) If the person satisfies the Minister that the person is entitled to a refund, the Minister must refund to the person the amount of the contributions paid by or on behalf of the person, together with interest on that amount calculated at the short term interest rate (as published by the Reserve Bank of Australia for the preceding financial year) on a monthly basis for the number of whole months in the period commencing on the date of payment of the contributions and ending on the date of the refund.

7—Application of Fund

The Fund may be applied by the Minister for any of the following purposes:

- (a) payments to a body that, in the opinion of the Minister, represents Clare Valley winemakers or growers of Clare Valley grapes (or both) for 1 or more of the following purposes:
- (i) the reasonable operating and management expenses of the body;
 - (ii) promoting the Clare Valley wine industry;
 - (iii) undertaking or facilitating research and development, or the collection and dissemination to Clare Valley winemakers and growers of Clare Valley grapes of information, relevant to the Clare Valley wine industry and, in particular, to the improvement of practices in the industry;
 - (iv) the participation of the body in regional, State and national wine industry events;
 - (v) programs designed to encourage communication and cooperation between Clare Valley winemakers and growers of Clare Valley grapes;
 - (vi) other purposes of the body;
- (b) payments for other purposes for the benefit of the Clare Valley wine industry;
- (c) payment of the expenses of administering the Fund;
- (d) repayment of contributions to the Fund under regulation 6.

8—Exclusion from benefits of person in default in relation to contributions

A person who is in default in relation to contributions to the Fund is not entitled to receive direct benefits or services funded by payments from the Fund.

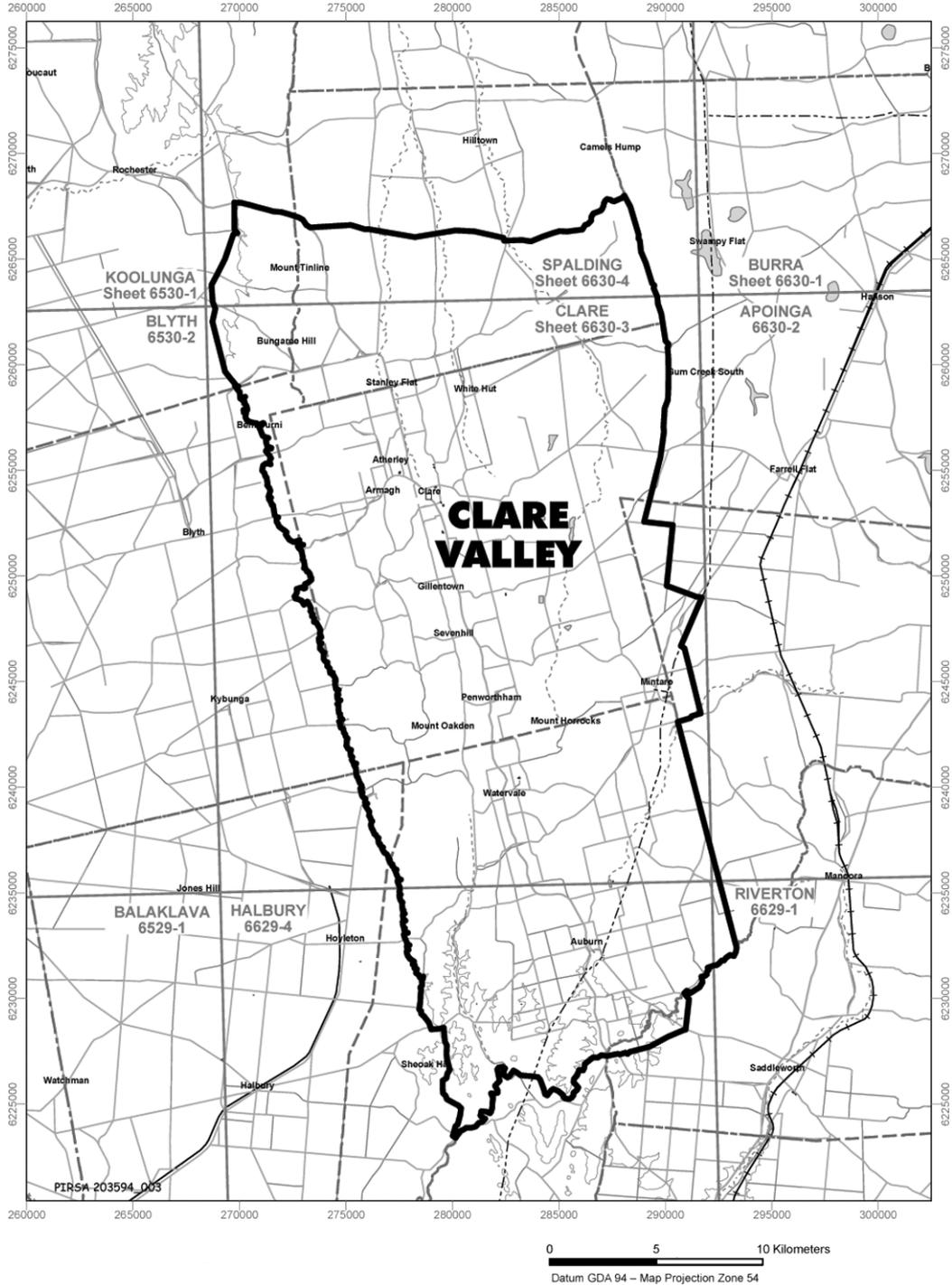
9—False or misleading statements

A person must not make a statement that is false or misleading in a material particular (whether by reason of the inclusion or omission of any particular) in any information provided, or record kept, for the purposes of these regulations.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

Schedule 1—Map showing Clare Valley

The following map is provided for information purposes only.



The Geographical Indication "Clare Valley"

Schedule 2—Contributions

1	Prescribed winemaker rate	
	(a) for each tonne of grapes delivered up to and including 500 tonnes	\$2.00 per tonne
	(b) for each tonne of grapes delivered in excess of 500 tonnes up to and including 1 000 tonnes	\$1.00 per tonne
	(c) for each tonne of grapes delivered in excess of 1 000 tonnes up to and including 3 000 tonnes	\$0.75 per tonne
	(d) for each tonne of grapes delivered in excess of 3 000 tonnes	\$0.50 per tonne
2	Prescribed grower rate	\$4.00 per tonne

Legislative history

Notes

- For further information relating to the Act and subordinate legislation made under the Act see the Index of South Australian Statutes or www.legislation.sa.gov.au.

Principal regulations

Year	No	Reference	Commencement
2008	17	<i>Gazette 21.2.2008 p629</i>	21.2.2008: r 2