

## Changes to Square Meaters Breed Uniform

The breed uniform is to be worn by exhibitors at agricultural shows in Australia. In order to reduce disruption and expense and to enhance co-operation, a graduated three-step program of changes has been implemented.

### **Step 1: Now until January 2011**

January 2011 is the date for across-the-board adoption of jeans instead of moleskins.

The phasing out period of moleskins is to begin immediately, with members notified of changes and encouraged not to continue purchasing moleskins for the breed uniform.

From January 2011, navy blue or dark blue jeans will become the breed uniform at all agricultural shows. Faded, ripped, detailed or decorative styles are to be discouraged.

For the remainder of 2010 (including Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth Royal Agricultural Shows) moleskins are to continue to be worn.

### **Step 2: January 2011 – January 2012**

January 2012 is the date for across-the-board change to chambray striped royal blue and white shirts as the compulsory breed uniform.

The adoption period is to begin from January 2011 when members will be recommended to buy this style of shirt in preparation for the adoption date.

Between January 2011 and January 2012 all new members who wish to show in the twelve changeover months may use the remainder of the Association's stock of blue jackets at a cost of \$20 each. Therefore, new breeders could conceivably purchase a new shirt in line with proposed regulations, and cover it with a jacket at a cost of \$20 until the changes have been implemented.

Shirts may be purchased by individuals, with the width of stripe and recommended brands to follow. The brand purchased can be at the member's discretion as long as they are compliant with regulation.

### **Step 3: January 2012 onwards**

Full uniform change to be implemented.

On this date, blue jackets are to be replaced with silver, grey or charcoal vests which are machine washable /light/wool blend pending further research of available products.

Vests are to be embroidered with royal blue Square Meaters logo.

The new breed uniform would therefore comprise of a royal blue and white striped chambray shirt, designated style of vest and dark blue or navy jeans.

Hat, boots, tie and scarf regulations are to remain unchanged.