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Dear (Greeting),

## WE DO NOT REQUIRE YOU TO GET YOUR FIBRE TESTED

We have been advised by some of you that there is a misconception out there that Pacific Alpacas will not accept fibre unless it has been micron-tested. Apparently this was even discussed at a recent Region Meeting of growers.

## This is completely incorrect.

Pacific Alpacas will accept any colour and any micron of huacaya or suri fibre. All we ask is that it be sorted and given a grading code by colour in accordance with the following table (which is printed on the side of our collection bags).

	KEY TO GRADING YOUR FIBRE						
	White	Off white - Light Fawn	Fawn - Light Brown	Brown - Dark Brown	Grey	Rose Grey	Black
Huacaya Blankets	PA10	PA20	PA30	PA40	PA50	PA60	PA70
Huacaya NBL*	PB10	PB20	PB30				
Suri Blankets	PS10	PS20	PS30				

<sup>\*</sup>NBL is fibre taken from the Neck, Bellies and Legs of the animal.

It is up to you whether or not you get your fibre tested; we will accept it regardless. Pacific Alpacas does not and will not submit fibre for micron testing.

I'm sorry for any confusion, I hope this clears things up. We want simple and robust systems to help minimise costs and maximise growers' returns.

Best regards,

Steve Crow