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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

#### 7 CFR Part 58

[Doc. No. AMS-DA-22-0064]

RIN 0581-AE20

#### Plant Records To Include Grade Label Butterfat Testing

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Final rule; delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** This document delays the effective date of the January 16, 2025, final rule that adopted amendments to the plant records requirement for the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Dairy Grading and Inspection Program. The amendments allow butterfat tests to be performed at an in-house or approved third party laboratory and add a requirement for plants to maintain and make such records available for examination by a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) inspector. These amendments increase efficiency by conforming to current industry practice.

**DATES:** As of February 10, 2025, the effective date of the final rule amending 7 CFR part 58, published on January 16, 2025 (90 FR 4585), is delayed until March 21, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Whitney Rick, Grading and Standardization Division, Dairy Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 2530-South Building, Mail Stop 0225, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-0230; Telephone: (202) 236-8241; Email: [Whitney.Rick@usda.gov](mailto:Whitney.Rick@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the memorandum of January 20, 2025, from the President to executive departments and agencies, entitled “Regulatory Freeze Pending

Review,”<sup>1</sup> this document temporarily delays the effective date of the rule titled, “Plant Records to Include Grade Label Butterfat Testing,” which was published in the **Federal Register** on January 16, 2025 (90 FR 4585). The rule adopted amendments to the plant records requirement for the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Dairy Grading and Inspection Program. The amendments allow butterfat tests to be performed at an in-house or approved third party laboratory and add a requirement for plants to maintain and make such records available for examination by a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) inspector. These amendments increase efficiency by conforming to current industry practice.

This action is exempt from notice and comment under 5 U.S.C. 553 and is applicable immediately upon publication in the **Federal Register**, based on the good cause exceptions in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and 553(d)(3), respectively. Seeking public comment is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest. The temporary delay in effective date is necessary to give Department officials the opportunity for further review and consideration of new regulations, consistent with the President’s memorandum of January 20, 2025. Given the imminence of the effective date, seeking prior public comment on this temporary delay would have been impractical, as well as contrary to the public interest in the orderly promulgation and implementation of regulations. The imminence of the effective date is also good cause for making this action effective immediately upon publication.

**Erin Morris,**

*Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

#### 7 CFR Part 205

[Doc. No. AMS-NOP-22-0063]

RIN 0581-AE13

#### National Organic Program; Market Development for Mushrooms and Pet Food

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Final rule; delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** This document delays the effective date of the December 23, 2024, final rule that amended USDA’s organic regulations to clarify standards for organic mushrooms and organic pet food. The topics addressed by the rule include mushroom substrate composition and sourcing of mushroom spawn in organic mushroom production; composting requirements for organic mushroom production; composition and labeling requirements for organic pet food; and the use of certain synthetic substances, including taurine, in organic pet food.

**DATES:**

*Effective date:* As of February 10, 2025, the effective date of the final rule amending 7 CFR part 205, published on December 23, 2024 (89 FR 104367), is delayed until March 21, 2025.

*Compliance Date:* Organic operations must comply with the requirements of this rule by March 22, 2027.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Erin Healy, Director, Standards Division, National Organic Program. Telephone: 202-720-3252. Email: [Erin.Healy@usda.gov](mailto:Erin.Healy@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the memorandum of January 20, 2025, from the President to executive departments and agencies, entitled “Regulatory Freeze Pending Review,”<sup>1</sup> this document temporarily delays the effective date of the rule titled, “National Organic Program; Market Development for Mushrooms and Pet Food,” which was published in the **Federal Register** on December 23, 2024 (89 FR 104367). The rule amended the USDA organic regulations to clarify

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/regulatory-freeze-pending-review/>.

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This action is exempt from notice and comment under 5 U.S.C. 553 and is applicable immediately upon publication in the **Federal Register**, based on the good cause exceptions in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and 553(d)(3), respectively. Seeking public comment is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest. The temporary delay in effective date is necessary to give Department officials the opportunity for further review and consideration of new regulations, consistent with the President's memorandum of January 20, 2025. Given the imminence of the effective date, seeking prior public comment on this temporary delay would have been impractical, as well as contrary to the public interest in the orderly promulgation and implementation of regulations. The imminence of the effective date is also good cause for making this action effective immediately upon publication.

**Erin Morris**,

*Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Federal Crop Insurance Corporation

#### 7 CFR Parts 407 and 457

[Docket ID FCIC-24-0005]

RIN 0563-AC86

#### Flax Revenue and Expanded Unit Options for Crop Insurance

**AGENCY:** Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, USDA.

**ACTION:** Final rule with request for comments; reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) is reopening the comment period for 30 days to allow the public additional time to provide comments on our regulation that allowed revenue coverage for flax under the Small Grain Crop Insurance Provisions, combined written agreement

deadlines in the Dry Bean Crop Insurance Provisions to match other insurance policies, expanded the availability of enterprise and optional units for some specialty and perennial crops, and made clarifications and corrections to the Area Risk Protection Insurance, Basic Provisions; Common Crop Insurance Policy, Basic Provisions; and several Crop Provisions published on November 27, 2024 and effective on November 30, 2024.

**DATES:** The comment period for the final rule with request for comments, published on November 27, 2024, (89 FR 93463-93470), is reopened. We will consider comments that we receive by March 12, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** We invite you to submit comments on this rule. You may submit comments by going through the Federal eRulemaking Portal as follows:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID FCIC-24-0005. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All comments will be posted without change and will be publicly available on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chandra Place; telephone (816) 926-3875; or email [chandra.place@usda.gov](mailto:chandra.place@usda.gov). Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 or (844) 433-2774 (toll-free nationwide).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are reopening the comment period for the final rule with request for comment that was published on November 27, 2024, (89 FR 93463-93470).

The comment period closed on January 27, 2025.

In the spirit of the Presidential Memorandum, titled Regulatory Freeze Pending Review, signed on January 20, 2025, we are providing an additional 30 days to allow the public to comment on this rule.

**Heather Manzano**,

*Acting Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

#### 7 CFR Part 1222

[Doc. No. AMS-SC-23-0080]

#### Paper and Paper-Based Packaging Promotion, Research and Information Order; Clarifying Changes

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Final rule; delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** This document delays the effective date of the January 21, 2025, final rule revising the regulations related to the Paper and Paper-Based Packaging Promotion, Research and Information Order (Order). The amendments included an added definition for partnership; clarification of the nominations process; clarification about in person and electronic voting for any Board meetings; an update of the timing of financial reporting; and a revision of requirements for when exemptions can be requested.

**DATES:** As of February 10, 2025, the effective date of the final rule amending 7 CFR part 1222, published on January 21, 2025 (90 FR 6779), is delayed until March 21, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Standardization Branch, Specialty Crops Inspection Division, Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Training and Development Center; 100 Riverside Parkway, Suite 101; Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406; fax: (540) 361-1199, or via the internet at: <https://www.regulations.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the memorandum of January 20, 2025, from the President to executive departments and agencies, entitled "Regulatory Freeze Pending Review,"<sup>1</sup> this document temporarily delays the effective date of the rule titled, "Paper and Paper-Based Packaging Promotion, Research and Information Order; Clarifying Changes," which was published in the **Federal Register** on January 21, 2025 (90 FR 6779). The rule made multiple clarifying amendments to the Order to bring it up to date with current industry practices. These amendments included an added definition for partnership; clarification on the nomination process; clarification of language about in person and electronic voting for any Board meetings; an update of the timing of

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/regulatory-freeze-pending-review/>.