

## Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

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- (a) The date of the application;
- (b) The designation of the tobacco and the crop year of its production;
- (c) The name and post-office address of the applicant and of the person, if any, making the application as agent;
- (d) The financial interest of the applicant in the tobacco;
- (e) The exact nature of the service desired as (1) inspection, (2) inspection and sealing packages, (3) sampling, or (4) weighing;
- (f) A statement that the tobacco (1) is in commerce, as defined in the act, or (2) is to be inspected, sampled, or weighed in connection with its entering such commerce;
- (g) If the tobacco has been officially inspected, sampled, or weighed previously, the application must have the previous certificate attached, or show with respect to such previous service (1) by whom, (2) the date, (3) previous determinations as certificated;
- (h) The reason for requesting reinspection, resampling, or reweighing; and
- (i) Such other necessary information as the Director may require.

### § 29.61 When application deemed filed.

An application shall be deemed filed when delivered to the Division, the office of inspection, or according to the nature of the service requested, to an official inspector, sampler, or weigher. When an application is filed, the date and time of filing shall be recorded by the official receiving it.

### § 29.62 When application may be rejected.

An application may be rejected (a) for noncompliance with the Act or the regulations in this subpart, or (b) when it is not practicable to provide the service. All expenses incurred in connection with an application rejected for noncompliance with the Act or the regulations in this subpart shall be paid by the applicant as provided in § 29.124.

### § 29.63 When application may be withdrawn.

An application may be withdrawn at any time before the requested service is rendered upon payment of expenses

incurred in connection therewith as provided in § 29.124.

### § 29.64 Authority of agent.

Proof of authority of any person making an application as agent may be required in the discretion of the official receiving the application.

### § 29.65 Accessibility of tobacco.

All tobacco to be inspected, sampled, or weighed upon application shall be made accessible by the applicant for proper examination, including any necessary display in proper light for determination of grade or other characteristics or for drawing of samples. In the case of tobacco in packages, the coverings shall be removed by the applicant in such manner as may be prescribed by the inspector, sampler, or weigher.

### § 29.66 Certificates.

(a) *Forms.* Each certificate issued under this regulation shall (1) show that it was issued under The Tobacco Inspection Act; (2) be in a form approved for the purpose by the Director and (3) embody within its written or printed terms, with respect to the particular kind of service, all applicable information required by paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of this section. Each certificate may also contain any information, not inconsistent with the act and the regulations in this subpart, as may be approved or required by the Director. The Director may, in his discretion, specify or limit the period in which a certificate shall be valid.

(b) *Inspection certificate.* Each inspection certificate shall show (1) the caption "Tobacco Inspection Certificate"; (2) whether it is an original, first, second, or other copy; (3) the number of the certificate; (4) the identification number and private identification marks on the lot; (5) the date and number of the official sample, if any; (6) the location of the tobacco at the time of inspection or sampling; (7) the date of inspection; (8) the type and grade of the tobacco; (9) the kind of lot or package; and (10) the signature of the official inspector; also such additional information as may be required by the Director. An inspection certificate covering a package of tobacco shall also

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show the form and condition of the tobacco.

(c) *Sample inspection certificate.* Each sample inspection certificate shall carry the caption "Tobacco Sample Inspection Certificate" and shall otherwise comply with the requirements of an inspection certificate, and in addition include a clearly worded statement that the type, grade, or other tobacco characteristics, shown therein, apply only to the tobacco contained in the sample inspected.

(d) *Weight certificate.* Each weight certificate shall show (1) the caption "Tobacco Weight Certificate"; (2) whether it is an original, first, second, or other copy; (3) the number of the certificate; (4) the identification number or private identification marks on the lot; (5) the location of the tobacco at the time of weighing; (6) the date of weighing; (7) the weight of each lot; (8) the kind of lot or package; and (9) the signature of the official weigher.

(e) *Official sample tag.* Each official sample drawn and prepared shall have attached thereto, a certificate or tag showing (1) the caption "Official Tobacco Sample"; (2) the date of sampling; (3) the location of the tobacco at the time of sampling; (4) the kind of lot or package; (5) the condition of the tobacco; (6) the identification number and private identification marks on the lot; and (7) when a lot is found to be damaged, nested, or in doubtful keeping order, a statement of such fact.

(f) *Combination certificate.* A combination certificate of inspection and weight may be issued under the Act, if such certificate carries the caption "Tobacco Inspection and Weight Certificate" and otherwise meets all of the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (d) of this section.

**§ 29.67 Disposition of certificates.**

When a certificate of inspection or weight is issued under the Act upon the request of an interested party, the original certificate and one copy shall be delivered or mailed to the applicant or a person designated by him, and one copy shall be mailed or delivered to the Division or local office of inspection. Charges may be made for additional copies furnished the interested party upon request as provided in § 29.128.

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**§ 29.68 Advance information.**

Upon the request of an applicant for whom tobacco has been inspected, sampled, or weighed and certificated under the Act, all or any part of the contents of such certificate may be telegraphed or telephoned to him as his expense. Information relative to grade or other determinations contained or to be contained in a certificate shall not be divulged by an inspector, sampler, or weigher to any person other than an interested party or his agent without the approval of the Director, and such information shall not be furnished an interested party before the certificate is issued.

**§ 29.69 Weighing apparatus.**

A scale used for determination of weight to be certificated under the Act shall be subject to examination for accuracy according to the regulations of the State or municipality in which located. No disapproved scale shall be used to determine weight of tobacco for the purposes of the Act and the regulations in this subpart.

**MANDATORY INSPECTION**

**§ 29.71 Mandatory inspection.**

Mandatory inspection consists of:

(a) Inspecting and certifying tobacco under the Act on designated markets before it is offered for sale at auction; or

(b) Inspecting and certifying tobacco at receiving stations under the Appropriations Act at the time the tobacco is delivered for sale.

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**§ 29.72 Where mandatory inspection is required.**

(a) *Auction.* All tobacco offered for sale at auction on a market designated in accordance with the Act and § 29.73 shall be inspected and certificated under the Act upon the date specified by the Secretary in public notice of such designation, and thereafter, except when the requirement of such inspection and certification is temporarily suspended by the Deputy Administrator in accordance with the Act and the regulations in this subpart.