

Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

§ 931.22

§ 931.15 Export.

Export means to ship pears to any destination which is not within the 48 contiguous States, or the District of Columbia of the United States.

§ 931.16 Pack.

Pack means the specific arrangement, size, weight, count, or grade of a quantity of pears in a particular type and size of container, or any combination thereof.

§ 931.17 Container.

Container means a box, bag, crate, lug, basket, carton, package, or any other type of receptacle used in the packaging or handling of pears.

ADMINISTRATIVE BODY

§ 931.20 Establishment and membership.

There is hereby established a Northwest Fresh Bartlett Pear Marketing Committee consisting of fourteen (14) members, each of whom shall have an alternate who shall have the same qualifications as the member for whom his is an alternate. Eight (8) of the members and their respective alternates shall be growers or officers or employees of growers. Six (6) of the members and their respective alternates shall be handlers or officers or employees of handlers. Each district shall be represented on the committee by two (2) grower members and their respective alternates who are producers of pears in such districts. The Yakima and Medford Districts shall each be represented on the committee by two (2) handler members and the Wenatchee and Mid-Columbia Districts each by one (1) handler member who are handlers of pears in the respective district.

§ 931.21 Term of office.

The term of office of each member and alternate member of the committee shall be for two years beginning July 1 and ending June 30: *Provided*, That the term of office of one-half of the initial grower members and alternates and one-half of the initial handler members and alternates from the Yakima and Medford Districts and the handler member and alternate from the

Wenatchee District shall end June 30, 1966. Members and alternate members shall serve in such capacities for the portion of the term of office for which they are selected and have qualified and until their respective successors are selected and have qualified.

§ 931.22 Nomination.

(a) *Initial members.* Nominations for each of the initial members of the committee, together with nominations for the initial alternate members for each position, may be submitted to the Secretary by individual growers and handlers. Such nominations may be made by means of separate group meetings of the growers and handlers concerned in each district, which shall be publicized and open to all growers and handlers. Such nominations, if made, shall be filed with the Secretary no later than the effective date of this part. In the event nominations for initial members and alternate members of the committee are not filed pursuant to, and within the time specified in this section, the Secretary may select such initial members and alternate members without regard to nominations, but selections shall be on the basis of the representation provided for in § 931.20.

(b) *Successor members.* (1) The committee shall hold or cause to be held, not later than June 1 of each year, separate meetings of growers and handlers in each district for the purpose of designating nominees for successor members and alternate members of the committee, which shall be publicized and open to all growers and handlers. At each such meeting, a chairman and a secretary shall be designated by the growers and handlers eligible to participate therein. The chairman shall announce at the meeting the results of nominations for member or alternate member and shall submit promptly to the committee a complete report concerning such meeting. The committee shall, in turn, promptly submit a copy of each such report to the Secretary.

(2) Only growers, including duly authorized officers or employees of growers, who are present at such nomination meetings may participate in the nomination and election of nominees