

## Farm Service Agency, USDA

## § 784.3

(c) TAP benefits paid to a person as a result of misrepresentation shall be refunded to FSA with interest and costs of collection. The party engaged in acts prohibited by this part and the party receiving payment and their successors shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount due. The remedies provided to FSA in this part shall be in addition to other civil, criminal, or administrative remedies which may apply.

(d) Program documents executed by persons legally authorized to represent estates or trusts will be accepted only if such person furnishes evidence of the authority to execute such documents.

(e) A minor who is an owner that has met all other eligibility criteria shall be eligible for TAP assistance if:

(1) The minor establishes that the right of majority has been conferred on the minor by court proceedings or by statute; or

(2) A guardian has been appointed to manage the minor's property and the applicable program documents are executed by the guardian; or

(3) A bond is furnished under which the surety guarantees any loss incurred for which the minor would be liable had the minor been an adult.

(f) The regulations regarding reconsideration's and appeals at part 11 of this title and part 780 of this chapter apply to this part.

### **PART 784—2004 EWE LAMB REPLACEMENT AND RETENTION PAYMENT PROGRAM**

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AUTHORITY: Clause (3) of section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935, as amended; 7 U.S.C. 612c.

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#### **§ 784.1 Applicability.**

(a) Subject to the availability of funds, this part establishes terms and conditions under which the 2004 Ewe Lamb Replacement and Retention Payment Program will be administered.

(b) Unless otherwise determined by the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in accordance with the provisions of this part, the amount that may be expended under this part for program payments shall not exceed \$18 million. Claims that exceed that amount will be prorated in accordance with § 784.7.

(c) To be eligible for payments, producers must comply with all provisions of this part and with any other conditions imposed by FSA.

#### **§ 784.2 Administration.**

(a) This part shall be administered by FSA under the general direction and supervision of the Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA. The program shall be carried out in the field by FSA State and county committees (State and county committees) in accordance with their assigned duties and the regulations of this part.

(b) The Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA, or a designee, may reverse or modify a determination made by a State or county committee.

(c) The Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA, may waive or modify deadlines and other program requirements in cases where timeliness or failure to meet such other requirements does not adversely affect the operation of the program.

(d) The program described under this part is a one-time program to be administered with respect to eligibility and qualifying factors occurring during or related to the base period of August 1, 2003 through July 31, 2004, as specified in this part.

#### **§ 784.3 Definitions.**

The definitions in this section shall apply to the 2004 Ewe Lamb Replacement and Retention Payment Program and this part.