or affixed to or printed on the pack-
ing material of any product.

(e) Official device means a printed
label, or other method as approved by
the Secretary for the purpose of apply-
ing any official mark or other identi-
fication to any product of the pack-
ing material thereof.

ADMINISTRATION

§ 592.10 Authority.

The Administrator shall perform, for
and under the supervision of the Sec-
etary, such duties as the Secretary
may require in the enforcement or ad-
ministration of the provisions of the
Act and this part. The Administrator
is authorized to waive for a limited pe-
riod any particular provisions of the
regulations in this part to permit ex-
perimentation so that new procedures,
equipment, and processing techniques
may be tested to facilitate definite im-
provements and at the same time to
determine full compliance with the
spirit and intent of the regulations in
this part. The Food Safety Inspection
Service and its officers and employees
shall not be liable in damages through
acts of commission or omission in the
administration of this part.

GENERAL

§ 592.20 Kinds of services available.

The regulations in this part provide
for the following kinds of services:
(a) Inspection of the processing in of-
 official plants of products containing
eggs;
(b) Sampling of products; and
(c) Quantity and condition inspection
of products.

§ 592.22 Where service is offered.

Any product may be inspected wher-
ever inspection program personnel are
available and the facilities and the
conditions are satisfactory for the con-
duct of the service.

§ 592.24 Basis of service.

(a) Products shall be inspected in ac-
cordance with such standards, meth-
ods, and instructions as may be issued
or approved by the Administrator. All
service shall be subject to supervision
at all times by the applicable FSIS des-
ignated supervisor. Whenever the su-
pervisor of an inspection program per-
son has evidence that such inspection
program employee incorrectly in-
pected a product, such supervisor
shall take such action as is necessary
to correct the inspection and to cause
any improper official identification
that appears on the product or con-
tainers thereof to be corrected prior to
shipment of the product from the place
of the initial inspection.

(b) Whenever service is performed on
a sample basis, such sample shall be
drawn in accordance with the instruc-
tions as issued by the Administrator.

PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES

§ 592.70 Identification.

All inspection program personnel and
supervisors shall have in their possess-
ion at all times while on duty and
present upon request the means of
identification furnished by the Depart-
ment to such person.

§ 592.80 Political activity.

All inspection program personnel are
forbidden during the period of their re-
spective appointments, to take an ac-
tive part in political management or in
political campaigns. Political activity
in city, county, State, or national elec-
tions, whether primary or regular, or
in behalf of any party or candidate is
prohibited, except as authorized by law
or regulation of the Department. This
applies to all appointees, including, but
not being limited to, temporary and co-
operative employees and employees on
leave of absence with or without pay.
Willful violation of this section will
constitute grounds for dismissal.

§ 592.90 Authority and duties of in-
spection program personnel per-
forming service.

(a) Inspection program personnel are
authorized:
(1) To make such observations and
inspections as they deem necessary to
enable them to certify that products
have been prepared, processed, stored,
and otherwise handled in conformity
with the regulations in this part;