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§29.401 Definitions.

As used in §§29.400 through 29.500, the words and phrases hereinafter defined shall have the following meanings:

(a) Importation. Arriving within the territorial limits of the United States with the intent to unload.

(b) Importer. The owner of the tobacco at the time of importation or the owner’s successor in interest if the tobacco is sold prior to the completion of the requirements of §§29.400 through 29.500.

When a new certificate is issued for a lot of tobacco, the old certificate and copies thereof shall become null and void and shall not thereafter be used to represent the tobacco described therein.

§29.133 Identification number.

The Director may require the use of official identification numbers in connection with tobacco certificated or sampled under the Act. When identification numbers are required, they shall be specified by the Director, and shall be attached to, or stamped, printed, or stencilled on, the lots of tobacco certificated or sampled, in a manner specified by the Director.

§29.400 Inspection, certification, and testing of imported tobacco.

(a) All tobacco offered for importation into the United States, including tobacco entering foreign trade zones, but excluding transshipped tobacco, oriental and cigar tobacco, shall be inspected for grade and quality. Tobacco subject to inspection shall be inspected at the point of entry.

(b) All flue-cured or burley tobacco, including stems, offered for importation into the United States, including tobacco entering foreign trade zones, but excluding transshipped tobacco, shall be accompanied by a pesticide and end user certification completed by the importer. Any flue-cured or burley tobacco that is not certified as being free of prohibited pesticide residues shall not be permitted entry into the United States until the Secretary has determined that the tobacco meets the pesticide residue requirements in these regulations.