To handle. To handle means to use almonds commercially of own production or to sell, consign, transport, ship (except as a common carrier of almonds owned by another) or in any other way to put almonds grown in the area of production into any channel of trade for human consumption worldwide, either within the area of production or by transfer from the area of production to points outside or by receipt as first receiver at any point of entry in the United States or Puerto Rico of almonds grown in the area of production, exported therefrom and submitted for re-entry or which are reentered free of duty. However, sales or deliveries by a grower to handlers, hullers or other processors within the area of production shall not, in itself, be considered as handling by a grower.

Inspection agency. Inspection agency means the Federal-State Inspection Service or, when specifically designated, the Federal Inspection Service.

Settlement weight. Settlement weight means the actual gross weight of any lot of almonds received for his own account by any handler, less adjustments as follows:

(a) For weight of containers,
(b) For excess moisture,
(c) For trash or other foreign material of any kind, and
(d) For inedible kernels as defined in §981.8.

Crop year. Crop year means the twelve month period from August 1 to the following July 31, inclusive. Any new crop almonds harvested or received prior to August 1 will be applied to the next crop year for marketing order purposes. The first crop year after the implementation of this amendment shall be a 13-month period.

Handler carryover. Handler carryover as of any given date means all almonds, wherever located, then held by handlers for their own accounts (whether or not sold) but not including any almond products.

Trade demand. Trade demand means the quantity of almonds (kernelweight basis) which commercial distributors and users such as the wholesale, chain store, confectionery, bakery, ice cream, and nut salting trades will acquire from all handlers during a crop year for distribution worldwide.

Salable almonds. Salable almonds means those almonds which are free to be handled pursuant to any salable percentage established by the Secretary pursuant to §981.47 or §981.48 and, in the absence of a reserve percentage being established for a crop year, all almonds received by handlers for their own accounts during that crop year.

Reserve almonds. Reserve almonds means those almonds which must be withheld from handling in satisfaction of a reserve obligation arising from application of a reserve percentage established by the Secretary pursuant to §981.47 or §981.48.

Board. Board means the Almond Board of California which is the administrative agency established by this subpart.

Part and subpart. Part means the order regulating the handling of almonds grown in the State of California, and all rules, regulations, and supplementary orders issued thereunder, and the aforesaid order shall be a subpart of such part.