

supervises the performance of specified inspection services and certifies the results thereof, other than certifying the grade of a commodity.

(34) *Origin*. The geographical area or place where the commodity is grown.

(35) *Original inspection service*. An initial inspection of a community.

(36) *Person*. Any individual, partnership, association, corporation, or other business entity.

(37) *Plant*. The premises, buildings, structure, and equipment (including but not limited to machines, utensils, vehicles, and fixtures located in or about the premises) used or employed in the preparation, processing, handling, transporting, and storage of commodities.

(38) *Regular workday*. Any Monday through Saturday that is not a holiday.

(39) *Regulations*. The regulations in this part.

(40) *Reimbursable agreement*. An agreement between the Service and State agencies to conduct commodity inspection services authorized pursuant to the Act.

(41) *Retest inspection service*. To test, using the same laboratory procedures, a factor(s) of nongraded commodities previously tested.

(42) *Secretary*. The Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or any person to whom the Secretary's authority has been delegated.

(43) *Service*. The Federal Grain Inspection Service of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture.

(44) *Service representative*. An employee authorized by the Service or a person licensed by the Administrator.

(45) *Specification*. A document which clearly and accurately describes the essential and technical requirements for items, materials, or services including requested inspection procedures.

(46) *Standards*. The commodity standards in this part that describe the physical and biological condition of a commodity at the time of inspection.

(47) *Submitted sample*. A sample submitted by or for an applicant for inspection.

(48) *Test*. A procedure to measure a factor using specialized laboratory equipment involving the application of

established scientific principles and laboratory procedures.

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#### ADMINISTRATION

##### § 868.5 Administrator.

The Administrator, under the authority delegated by the Secretary, is charged with administering the programs and functions authorized under the Act and the regulations concerning those commodities assigned by the Secretary to the Service.

##### § 868.6 Nondiscrimination—policy and provisions.

In implementing, administering, and enforcing the Act and the regulations, standards, and instructions, it is the policy of the Service to promote adherence to the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000a *et seq.*).

##### § 868.7 Procedures for establishing regulations and standards.

Notice of proposals to prescribe, amend, or revoke regulations and standards shall be published in accordance with applicable provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act (5 U.S.C. 551 *et seq.*). Any interested person desiring to file a petition for the issuance, amendment, or revocation of regulations or standards may do so in accordance with 7 CFR 1.28 of the regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture.

##### § 868.8 Complaints and reports of alleged violations.

(a) *General*. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, complaints and reports of violations involving the Act or the regulations, standards, and instructions issued under the Act should be filed with the Service in accordance with 7 CFR 1.133 of the regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture and these regulations and the instructions.

(b) *Retest inspection and appeal inspection service*. Complaints involving the results of inspection services shall, to the extent practicable, be submitted as