

**APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION**

**HONEY PACKERS AND IMPORTERS RESEARCH, PROMOTION, CONSUMER EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY INFORMATION ORDER**

**(7 CFR PART 1212)**

YEAR BEING APPLIED FOR: 20XX

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

APPLICANT'S NAME	BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO., INCLUDE AREA CODE
BUSINESS NAME	
BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY STATE ZIP
TAX or BUSINESS IDENTIFICATION NO. or SOCIAL SECURITY NO.	

I hereby **CERTIFY** that:

\_ I am a first handler and I handled \_\_\_\_\_ pounds of honey and honey products during the year 20XX.

\_ I am an importer and I imported \_\_\_\_\_ pounds of honey and honey products during the year 20XX.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

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Return to:  
Honey Packers and Importers Board  
Street  
City, State Zip

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Importers Board will require persons applying for an exemption from assessments to provide substantiating information supporting their

exemption status. All persons are liable for paying assessments, except those who have a Certificate of Exemption issued by the Honey Packers and Importers Board and must be renewed annually by the Honey Packers and Importers Board.

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