

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF SUBSTANDARD PRUNES**

TO: Prune Marketing Committee  
3841 North Freeway Blvd., Suite 120  
Sacramento, CA 95834

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

HANDLER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

|  | NAME | ADDRESS                       |
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| (1)<br>Our<br>Vendee (customer):                                   |      |                               |
| (2)<br>*Consignee (if other<br>than Vendee or User):               |      |                               |
| (3) *User, Manufacturer,<br>or Converter (if other<br>than above): |      |                               |
| (4)<br>*Product<br>or Usage:                                       |      | (5)<br>Period of<br>Shipment: |
| (6)<br>Weight to be shipped:                                       |      |                               |

The undersigned hereby applies for permission to dispose of substandard prunes, to the person, and for the usage shown below:

The undersigned agrees, in the event this application is for a nonhuman use, to supply the Committee with a legible copy of the applicable bill of lading or truck receipt pertaining to each shipment of substandard prunes to be made under the Committee's approval number granted upon this application, and to submit or cause to be submitted to the Committee a "Converter's Certificate of Nonhuman Usage of Dried Prunes", Form PMC 2.7 promptly upon completion of usage of the prunes.

\* If unknown the handler shall so indicate in the applicable spaces, in which case approval shall be withheld pending vendee or consignee furnishing the missing information to the Committee.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Handler)

By \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Signature)

Title \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Prior to making any shipment of the following qualities of prunes, handlers are required to file a written application on Form PMC 2.2 with the Committee for permission to make such shipment and receive the Committee's approval thereof on Form 2.3:

| <u>Quality of Prunes</u>   | <u>Permissible Uses</u>  |
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| NON-FRENCH prunes failing to meet size tolerances of §993.150 (d). See below.  | Any uses in which they lose form and character as prunes by conversion prior to consumption. |
| SUBSTANDARD prunes not within the maximum tolerances for the defects mold, imbedded dirt, insect infestation, and decay. | Same as above.   |
| SUBSTANDARD prunes not within the maximum tolerances for the defects mold, imbedded dirt, insect infestation, and decay. | Nonhuman usage only - See §993.108 for the definition of a "nonhuman consumption outlet".    |

Approval will not be granted for the pitting of substandard prunes. Application for the maceration of substandard prunes into a product wherein they lose their form and character as prunes by pitting or a process subsequent to pitting will be approved if they specify that such conversion will take place on the handler's premises. Such approvals will be subject to the surveillance of the inspector.

Non-French prunes failing to meet the size requirements of §993.50 (c) of the Marketing Order, as Amended, are, by definition, substandard prunes.

**AUTHORITY:** This report is required by law (7 U.S.C. 608 (d), 7CFR §993.49 (c), and 7CFR §993.50 (c) and (e) and 7CFR §993.108, §993.149 (d), and 7CFR §993.150 (e) (1) (ii).

**FAILURE TO REPORT** can result in a fine of not less than \$50.00 or more than \$5,000 for each such violation and each day during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation.

This information is required to obtain authority from the Committee to dispose of substandard prunes and it will be used for that purpose.

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