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| **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE  FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM | | **HANDLER REGISTRATION** | | | | Avocado Administrative Committee  P.O. Box 900188  Homestead, FL 33090-0188  Tel: (305) 247-0848 | | |
| 1. In accordance with the authority granted by the Secretary of Agriculture for the marketing of avocados grown in South Florida, under Marketing Order No. 915, I hereby apply for registration as an avocado handler, consistent with 7 CFR § 915.120. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. NAME | | | | | | | | |
| 2a. HOME ADDRESS (City, County, State, and Zip Code) | | | | | | | | |
| 2b. BUSINESS ADDRESS (City, County, State, and Zip Code) | | | | | | | | |
| 2c. HOME TEL. NUMBER (include area code) | | | 2d. BUSINESS TEL. NUMBER (include area code) | | | | | |
| 1. ADDRESS WHERE FRUIT WILL BE PACKED | | | | | | | | |
| 1. NAME OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PACKING FRUIT | | | | | | | | |
| 1. FORM OF BUSINESS ORGANIZATION   □ Individual □ Partnership □ Corporation □ Cooperative  IF INCORPORATED, IN WHAT STATE? | | | | | | | | |
| 1. NATURE OF BUSINESS   □ Handler □ Trucker □ Shipper □ Gift fruit shipper | | | | | | | | |
| 1. NUMBER OF YEARS ENGAGED IN AVOCADO BUSINESS | | | 1. ESTIMATED SEASONAL VOLUME OF AVOCADOS HANDLED | | | | | |
| 1. NAME OF BUSINESS | | | | | | | | |
| 1. IF OTHER THAN INDIVIDUAL, GIVE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF OFFICERS, PARTNERS, ETC. | | | | | | | | |
| Name | Title | | | | Address | | | |
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| 1. WILL YOU HANDLE ONLY FRUIT THAT YOU, YOURSELF, OWN AND GROW?   □ YES □ NO | | | | | | | | |
| 1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THREE REFERENCES, ONE OF WHICH SHALL BE A BANK | | | | | | | | |
| Name | | | | Address | | | | |
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| 1. THE FOLLOWING FACILITIES ARE NEEDED FOR PACKING AVOCADOS, PLEASE INDICATE COMPLIANCE | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Permanent location: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Facilities under cover: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Proper lighting: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Approved scales available: | | | | | | | | |
| Mark “X” in appropriate block | | | | | | | YES | NO |
| 1. DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT (PACA) LICENSE\*? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT FLORIDA DEALER’S LICENSE\*? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL BOND\*? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. DO YOU HAVE A CURRENT DADE COUNTY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE\*? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. HAVE YOU, OR OTHER PRINCIPALS IN YOUR BUSINESS, EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. ARE YOU AWARE OF FEDERAL MARKETING ORDER NO. 915 THAT GOVERNS THE MARKETING OF AVOCADOS GROWN IN SOUTH FLORIDA? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. HAVE YOU READ AND STUDIED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. GRADE STANDARDS OF AVOCADOS? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. DO YOU AGREE TO NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IMMEDIATELY IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE PRECEEDING QUESTIONS CHANGE OVER TIME? | | | | | | |  |  |
| 1. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH YOUR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION MAY BE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED, AS OUTLINED IN 915.120 IN FEDERAL MARKETING ORDER NO. 915? | | | | | | |  |  |

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| **CERTIFICATION OF STATEMENT:** I (we) hereby agree to comply with all of the requirements of the Marketing Order regulating the handling of avocados grown in the Florida production area and with all the rules and regulations issued thereunder. | |
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT | DATE |
| STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Before me the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, who, being duly sworn, stated that he (she) is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and that the statements contained herin are correct to the best of his (her) knowledge and belif.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  NOTARY PUBLIC | |
| **NOTE:** The making of any false statements or representations in any matter within the jurisdiction of any agency of the United States, knowing it to be false, is a violation of Title 18, Section 1001, United States Code, which provides for a penalty of a fine or imprisonment, or both. | |

\* A copy must accompany application.

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