

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM

IMPORTER'S EXEMPT COMMODITY FORM (FV-6)

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NOTE: This form is used to declare intent to import an agricultural commodity exempt from grade requirements for the commodity established under section 8e of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

WARNING: Any person who knowingly falsely makes, issues, alters, forges or counterfeits this form, or participates in any such actions, is subject to a fine or imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or both.

THIS FORM MAY NOT BE DUPLICATED

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE FORM ARE PRINTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE

SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY IMPORTER

1. PRODUCT (include variety)		2. DATE AND PLACE OF INSPECTION (if applicable)	
3. LOT IDENTIFICATION		4. VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION (railroad car, truck, vessel, carrier, tag number, etc.)	
5a. IMPORTER'S NAME AND COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS (P.O. Box, Street, City, State, ZIP Code)		6a. PLACE OF ENTRY (PORT OF UNLOADING)	
		6b. DATE OF ENTRY	
5b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code)	5c. FAX NUMBER (include area code)	7. TOTAL QUANTITY IMPORTED (pounds)	
8a. RECEIVER'S NAME AND COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS (P.O. Box, Street, City, State, ZIP Code)		9. INTENDED USE (Mark an "X" in appropriate box)	
8b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processing (describe type): _____ (example: canning, dehydrating, juice) • Charity • Livestock/Animal Feed • Other exempt use (specify): _____ 	
8c. FAX NUMBER (include area code)			
10a. U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION ENTRY NUMBER	10b. HARMONIZED TARIFF CODE NUMBER		

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT: I certify to the U.S. Department of Agriculture and U.S. Customs and Border Protection that the above is true and accurate and that none of the fruit, vegetable, or specialty crops being imported are identified above will be used for other than the purpose indicated above.

SIGNATURE (Handwritten only)	TITLE	DATE
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SECTION II TO BE COMPLETED BY RECEIVER

RECEIVER'S NAME AND COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS (P.O. Box, Street, city, State, ZIP Code)	TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code)
CERTIFICATION STATEMENT OF PROCESSOR, CHARITY, FEEDER OR OTHER EXEMPTED RECEIVER	

I hereby certify to the U.S. Department of Agriculture that I have received the exempt commodity shipment(s) cited above and that I will dispose of the shipment(s) pursuant to the intended use specified in "9" and the commodity's Import Regulation under 7 CFR, Parts 944, 980, or 999, and that I am one of the following: (Mark an "X" in appropriate box)

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| • Processing (describe type): _____
(example: canning, dehydrating, juice) | • Charity | • Livestock/Animal Feed |
| | • Other exempt use (specify): _____ | |

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PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY**SECTION I**

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE IMPORTER – Upon completion of Section 1, the importer or the customs broker on behalf of the **IMPORTER** shall:

- **Sign** Section I certifying accuracy of the information entered in Section I and that the exempt commodity shipment is being sent to the exempt receiver listed in No. 8a.
 - **Provide** the completed form to U.S. Customs and Border Protection at the time of entry (U.S. Customs and Border Protection may only retain Copy 1, but must return Copies 2 and 3 to the importer).
 - **Send Copy 2 to AMS not later than two (2) days after entry.**
 - **Forward** Copy 3 to the exempt receiver with the commodity shipment.
 - **Retain** Copy 4 for your records.
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SECTION II

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RECEIVER – the EXEMPT RECEIVER shall:

- **Sign** Section II certifying receipt of the shipment listed in Section 1 and agreeing to dispose of the shipment in the exempt outlet specified.
 - **Send Copy 3 to AMS no later than two (2) days after receipt.**
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MAILING INSTRUCTION

Copies 2 and 3 shall be sent to **USDA, AMS, Fruit and Vegetable Program, Marketing Order and Agreement Division, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 1406-S, Stop 0237, Washington, D.C. 20250-0237**. The forms may be faxed to (202) 720-5698, but must be followed up with the mailed original copy within two (2) days. For further information, call (202) 747-5394 or (888) 551-3523.

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Copy 3 – Receiver Submits to USDA/AMS

Copy 4 – Retained by Importer