

RAISIN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE  
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**APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR  
 COOPERATIVE BARGAINING ASSOCIATION ON-PREMISE  
 INSPECTION SERVICES RELATING TO RAISINS  
 CROP YEAR 20\_\_\_\_**

**Application** – In accordance with § 989.158(f) of Marketing Order No. 989 (Order), the undersigned cooperative bargaining association (Association) hereby applies to the Raisin Administrative Committee (RAC) for the approval of on-premise inspection services for natural condition raisins at the premises located at:

*(Address)*

*(City, State, Zip Code)*

**Terms and Conditions**

- (i) The Association shall, prior to delivery of any raisins to handlers, arrange for inspection services at the Association's receiving station(s), and cause to be submitted to the RAC a statement by the inspection service of such arrangement and of the Association's having adequate laboratory and other facilities for such services available at the Association's receiving station(s).
- (ii) The Association shall maintain such facilities satisfactory to the inspection service.
- (iii) The Association shall request inspection of each lot of raisins immediately upon physical arrival thereof at the Association's receiving station(s), and shall provide the inspector with any assistance necessary in the inspection of such raisins, including the movement of individual containers.
- (iv) The Association shall fumigate all raisins received at the Association's receiving station(s) as necessary to assure that the raisins are free from active infestation and maintain them as such while on such premises, and that fumigation shall be performed to the satisfaction of the inspection service.
- (v) The Association shall, with respect to all raisins entering its premises that are not returned to the producer as provided in paragraph (vi) of this application, promptly affix to one or more containers in each lot, or to a container in each pallet if pallets are used, a RAC control card showing thereon such information as the RAC requires, to maintain the producer identity of each lot and prevent commingling with any other lot. The Association shall not move all or any portion of a lot of raisins on the premises of the Association's receiving station(s) or load any such raisins for shipment, except in the presence of an inspector of the inspection service.
- (vi) The Association shall store any standard raisins and any off-grade raisins which are held by it after receipt and inspection on the premises of its receiving station(s) under conditions which protect the raisins from rain, infestation and contamination, and which can be expected to maintain their respective conditions except for normal and natural deterioration and shrinkage. Any raisins, that after receipt and inspection are not accepted and held by the Association, shall be returned to the producer within 5 business days after the issuance of the inspection certificate.
- (vii) The Association shall furnish the inspection service with a completed RAC form requesting issuance, at the time of loading any lot of inspected raisins for delivery to any handler's inspection point, of a memorandum report of inspection covering such lot.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0581-0178. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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- (viii) The Association shall deliver to the handler at the time of receipt of any such lot of eligible raisins at the handler's inspection point the original and one copy of the inspection service's related memorandum report of inspection. Such original and copy shall accompany the shipment of such lot from the premises of the Association's receiving station(s) to the handler's inspection point.
- (ix) The Association shall maintain complete records of the receipt, holding and disposition of each lot of raisins and retain such records for at least 2 years after the crop year in which such transactions occurred.
- (x) The Association shall file promptly with the RAC certified reports showing such information as the RAC may request relative to the Association's receipts, holdings, and dispositions of raisins.
- (xi) The Association shall permit the RAC, the inspection service, and the Secretary of Agriculture, through their duly authorized representatives, to have access to the premises of the Association's receiving station(s) to inspect such premises and any raisins thereon and any and all records with respect to the Association's receipts, holdings and dispositions of raisins.
- (xii) Upon approval of the application and agreement the RAC will notify handlers of such approval, and that eligible lots of inspected raisins will not require incoming inspection at handler inspection points. The RAC will also notify the interested handlers of any suspension or revocation, for good cause, of the eligibility of a particular lot of raisins, and of any suspension or termination of the application and agreement.
- (xiii) The RAC will request the inspection service to establish a fee to the Association for the services to be rendered at the same rate as is charged to handlers.
- (xiv) The application and agreement may be suspended or terminated as provided herein.

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**Applicant**


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**Date**


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**Mailing Address**


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**(City, State, Zip Code)**


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**E-mail Address**


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**Telephone Number**


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**Fax Number**


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**Signature of Authorized Agent**


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**Title**

This report is required by law (7 U.S.C. 608d, 7 CFR 989.158(f)(1)). Failure to report can result in a fine of \$1,100 for each such violation and each day during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation.

The making of any false statement 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 of the United States Code, which provides for a penalty of a fine or imprisonment of not more than five years, or both.

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