

**HASS AVOCADO PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION ORDER
(7 CFR 1219)**

FIRST HANDLER REPORT

For the Month of _____

MAIL TO: Hass Avocado Board, Department #xxxx, City, State Zip Code

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING

<<Contact Person>>
<<Business Name>>
<<Street Address>>
<<City>>, <<State>> <<ZIP>>
<<Telephone Number>>

Farm Tax ID # (TIN) or Employer Identification Number (EIN): _____

Enter total number of pounds of fresh **HASS** avocados handled _____

Enter total number of pounds of **LAMB HASS** handled _____

TOTAL POUNDS HANDLED _____

Deduct the number of pounds of fresh Hass avocados exported _____

Deduct the number of pounds of Certified Organic Hass avocados* _____

TOTAL POUNDS ON WHICH ASSESSMENT IS DUE _____

Assessment rate (x.x cents per pound) X \$0.0xx

Total assessments due \$ _____

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and the attached remittance represents x.x cents per pounds for all Hass avocados handled during this reporting period on which I was required to pay the assessment. I also certify that I am authorized to sign this report.

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

The making of any false statement or representation on this form, knowing it to be false, is a violation of Title 18, Section 1001 United States Code, which provides for the penalty of a fine of \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than five years, or both.

To eliminate reports during a period of inactivity, complete the following statement:

I (we) do not wish to receive the blank assessment report(s) during the circled month(s) below since we will not pick any Hass or Lamb Hass avocados during these months:

Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct

Signature: _____

* **Handlers must have a "Certificate of Exemption" from each producer of organic and 100% Organic Hass Avocados operating under an Approved National Organic Program (7CFR Part 205) a system from whom the handler received product.**

READ INSTRUCTIONS ON OTHER SIDE

INSTRUCTIONS

First handlers are required to pay assessments and file this report monthly for each month in which they handle fresh Hass avocados. The original of the report must be received by the Hass Avocado Board, with full remittance, no later than the last business day of the month within 30 days after the end of the month in which the sale or non-sale transfer subject to assessments under the Hass Avocado Promotion, Research, and Information Order (7 CFR Part 1219). A late payment penalty and an interest charge will be applied to assessments that are delinquent. All reports are held in strict confidence by the staff of the Hass Avocado Board and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

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