

RAISIN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
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**UNCASHED OR UNCLAIMED GROWER CHECK
 CLAIM AFFIRMATION FORM**

The undersigned claimant certifies, under penalty of perjury, that the claimant is the person entitled to receive the funds for the non-cashed grower check referenced below. The claimant has provided evidence that the check owner produced raisins in the reserve pool year indicated. The claimant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and its agents, the Raisin Administrative Committee (RAC), and its officers and employees, from any loss resulting from the payment of said claim.

CURRENT INFORMATION AND SIGNATURE MUST BE PROVIDED FOR EACH CLAIMANT. Use an additional form or attach a sheet with other claimant(s) information and signature(s).

Claimant Information

LAST NAME OR BUSINESS	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	SSN OR TAX ID NO.	
MAILING ADDRESS		CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
DAYTIME PHONE	CLAIMANT OR AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE ¹		DATE	

¹For claims filed for a business, the authorized owner's signature is required. For claims filed for an estate or trust, the signature of the executor, administrator or attorney is required.

Uncashed or Unclaimed Grower Check Claimed

CHECK OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS AS ISSUED	DATE ISSUED	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT
	RESERVE POOL YEAR		

RAC USE ONLY

RAC Authorization _____		Date _____	
Re-Issued Check Information			
CLAIMANT NAME AND ADDRESS AS ISSUED	DATE ISSUED	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING A CLAIM

Using this instruction sheet, determine and provide the appropriate documents in order to process your claim, and return them with your completed Claim Affirmation Form. All claimants must review SECTION A for required documentation. If you are an *heir* or *beneficiary* of the deceased owner, refer to SECTIONS A and B. If you are a *business* claimant, refer to SECTIONS A and C.

SECTION A: CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION

1. Provide a copy of a photo identification (e.g., driver's license, state identification card, passport, etc.) for each claimant; and
2. Provide a copy of each claimant's Social Security card or any other document showing the claimant's Social Security number (e.g., federal or state income tax return, pay stub, etc.); and
3. Do you have any documents (e.g., photo identification in item 1 above, utility bill, tax bill, bank statement, or other correspondence, etc.) indicating that you or the owner currently reside or once resided at the "Address as Issued" indicated on the front page of the Claim Form?
4. Provide a Delivery Report from a packer or other documents to evidence that the check owner produced raisins in the reserve pool year, the amount of raisins delivered and the packer to whom the raisins were delivered.
5. **NOTE: IF MISSING ITEMS 3 OR 4, YOUR CLAIM MAY BE DENIED.**

SECTION B: DECEASED OWNER

If you are an *heir* of the deceased owner named on the check, you are required to submit ALL items under SECTION A, the death certificate of the deceased owner, AND one of the following documents:

1. A copy of Currently Certified Letters, dated within the past six months, appointing the Executor or Administrator of the decedent's estate, and the Estate Tax Identification number; or
2. A complete copy of the Court Ordered Distribution of the Decedent's Estate; or
3. If the distribution of the estate was not ordered by a court, a complete copy of the decedent's Will and/or Trust Agreement, and a completed Declaration Under Probate Code Section 13101 form; or
4. If no Will or Trust Agreement exists, a completed Declaration Under Probate Code Section 13101 form and a Table of Heirship form. You may obtain these forms from our office.

SECTION C: BUSINESS

In addition to the items in SECTION A, provide items 1 through 4 below, as well as either item 5 or item 6:

1. A copy of the business card of an authorized officer or official; and
2. A Letter of Authorization on company letterhead with the names of the officers or officials with authority to sign and claim on behalf of the business; and
3. Proof of the business's current Federal Tax Identification Number; and
4. Proof of the business's association with the last known address.

Also provide:

5. A copy of the Merger Agreement if the company has merged with another company; or
6. A copy of the Articles of Dissolution if the company has been dissolved.

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