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| **WA-53 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  (xx-xx-xx) Agricultural Marketing Service  **APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO INSPECT, CLASSIFY, SAMPLE, AND/OR WEIGH AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**  **UNDER THE UNITED STATES WAREHOUSE ACT** | | | | | A. Print Applicant Name Clearly and Distinctly for  Issuance of License | |
| B. USWA Warehouse License Number ***(REQUIRED)*** | |
| **NOTE TO APPLICANT:** This application must be filled out and signed by the applicant. | | | | | | |
| I am applying for a license, under the United States Warehouse Act, to perform the services indicated in Item 2. | | | | | | |
| 1. TYPE OF WAREHOUSE:  Grain Cotton Cottonseed  Dry Beans Nut Other: | | | | 2. TYPE OF SERVICE LICENSE REQUESTED:  **I**nspect Weigh Sample Classify *(Condition, Grade, Class)* | | |
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| 3. TYPE OF CERTIFICATION:  Grade Class  Condition Weight | 4. Facsimile Signature  YES NO | | 5. DATE EMPLOYED  *(MM-DD-YYYY)* | | | 6. PRESENT DUTIES OR TITLE |
| 7. Name and Location *(City, State, Zip Code)* of Warehouse where  Services will be Performed | | | 8. Name and Location *(City and State)* of Current Employer | | | |
| 9. State your experience in the actual inspection, grading, sampling, classing, and/or weighing of the agricultural products covered by this application,  specifying the number of years with dates and names of employers. ***(REQUIRED)*** | | | | | | |
| 10. Are you presently, or have you ever held a license for a similar service? **YES NO**  *(If* ***“YES”,*** *please indicate warehouse license number(s), service license number(s), location(s) and for whom the services*  *were performed.)* | | | | | | |
| 11. Indicate any special training you have had pertinent to this application *(i.e., grain grading schools, seminars, USDA related schools, etc.).* | | | | | | |

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| ***12. APPLICANT’S CERTIFICATION***  ***“Knowing that false statements made to the Government are subject to penalty, I certify that I have not been convicted of a felony, that I am at least 18 years of age and physically capable to perform the duties required by the service(s) for which this application is made; that I have the skills and equipment needed to perform these service(s) in accordance with applicable standards; and if this application is to include weighing, I will not knowingly weigh on scales that I believe to be incorrect; and that the statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge. Further, as a condition to granting this license, I agree to comply with the terms of the United States Warehouse Act and its regulations.”*** | | |
| A. Applicant’s Signature | | B. Date *(MM-DD-YYYY)* |
| **13. WAREHOUSE OPERATOR’S CERTIFICATION** | | |
| ***I certify that “The applicant is acceptable to perform the service(s) for which applied for at the warehouse operated by the undersigned and specified on this form.”*** | | |
| A. Name of Warehouse Operator *(Legal Entity Name)* | | B. Phone Number |
| C. Authorized Signature | D. Title | E. Date *(MM-DD-YYYY)* |
| ***No license will be issued until approved by the Warehouse and Commodity Management Division.*** | | |

**NOTE:** The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a - as amended). The authority for requesting the

information identified on this form is 7 CFR Part 869, and the United States Warehouse Act (Pub. L. 106-472). The information will be used to apply for individual licensing under the United States Warehouse Act to inspect, weigh, classify as to condition, grade, and class, and or sample agricultural products within the authority. The information collected on this form may be disclosed to other Federal, State, Local government agencies, Tribal agencies, and nongovernmental entities that have been authorized access to the information by statute or regulation. Providing the requested information is voluntary. However, failure to furnish the requested information will result in a determination of ineligibility to obtain new licensing or retain existing licensing under the United States Warehouse Act.

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*The provisions of appropriate criminal and civil fraud, privacy, and other statutes may be applicable to the information provided.* ***RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE WAREHOUSE AND COMMODITY MANAGEMENT DIVISION, STOP 9148, P.O. BOX 419205, KANSAS CITY, MO 64141-6205.***

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**Instructions for WA-53**

**APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO INSPECT, CLASSIFY, SAMPLE, AND/OR WEIGH AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UNDER THE U.S. WAREHOUSE ACT**

**Applicants for personal licensing under the United States Warehouse Act to inspect, weigh, classify as to condition, grade, and class, and/or sample agricultural products within the authority of an existing United States Warehouse Act license use this form.**

**Submit the original of the completed form in hard copy or facsimile to the Warehouse and Commodity Management Division, STOP 9148, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, MO 64141-6205; or FAX 844-930-0174. Customers who have established electronic access credentials with WCMD may electronically transmit this form to WCMD. Features for transmitting the form electronically are available to those customers with access credentials only. If you would like to establish online access credentials with WCMD, follow the instructions provided at the USDA eForms web site.**

**Applicants must complete Items 1 through 14. The warehouse operator completes the certification in Item 15. AMS completes the certifications in items 16 and 17.**

**Items 16 and 17 are for AMS use only.**

| **Fld Name/**  **Item No.** | **Instruction** |
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| A  Name of Applicant | Enter the name of applicant. |
| B  USWA License No. | Enter USWA license number. |

***Items 1 through 14***

| **Fld Name/**  **Item No.** | **Instruction** |
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| 1  Type of Service License Requested | Check the box indicating the services the applicant intends to provide.  **With a License to: Applicant will be Certifying:**  Inspect and Weigh Condition and Weight  Inspect, Classify, and Weigh Condition, Class, Grade,  and/or Weight  Weigh Weight  Classify Condition, Class, and/or Grade  Sample No Certification)  Sample, Classify and Weigh Condition, Class, and/or Weight Sample and Weigh Weight  According to 7 CFR 869.200 |

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| 2  Type of Warehouse | Check the box indicating the type of warehouse(s) at which the applicant will be providing the service requested in Item 1. |
| 3  Type of Certification | Check the box indicating the certification the applicant intends to give.  See the table in Item 1. |
| 4  Facsimile or  E-Signature | Check the box indicating whether the applicant needs facsimile or E-signature authority. |
| 5  Name and address of Warehouse in which the applicant will performs the service | Enter the name of the warehouse and the city and state location in which the service will be performed. |
| 6  Location of Warehouse | Enter the complete mailing address of the warehouse in which the service will be performed. (So that we may mail the license to the applicant.) |

| **Fld Name/**  **Item No.** | **Instruction** |
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| 7  Name and Address of Present Employer | Enter the name and address (city, state) of the licensed warehouse operator for whom the applicant will be performing the activities requested for licensing. |
| 8  Date Employed | Enter the date *(MM-DD-YYYY)* employed by this warehouse operator. |
| 9  Present Duties or Title | Enter present duties or the applicant’s job title with the current employer. |
| 10  State the applicant’s  experience  (etc.) | Enter a summary of the applicant’s past experience with inspecting, grading, sampling, classing and/or weighing of agricultural products covered by this application including the number of years at a specific employer’s warehouse. |
| 11  Is the applicant presently licensed (or has the applicant ever been licensed)? | Check the box indicating whether the applicant has ever held a USWA license. Enter any license number, dates of license, and the name of the employer for whom the applicant may have held a USWA license for a similar service. |
| 12  Please indicate any special training (etc.) | Enter training course work completed including grain grading schools, seminars and the like along with dates of attendance. |
| 13 A - D  Give names and addresses (etc.) | 13 A. Enter the names of four persons who know the applicant’s  recent qualifications for the service(s) under application. The applicant’s most recent previous employer should be on this list. All others should not be the applicant’s immediate family or warehouses the applicant will service.  13 B. Enter the address of four persons who know the  applicant’s qualifications for the service(s) under  application.  13 C. Enter the telephone number of four persons who know the  applicant’s qualifications for the service(s) under  application.  13 D. Enter the occupation of four persons who know the  applicant’s qualifications for the service(s) under  application. |
| 14 A-C  Applicant’s Certification | 14 A. Enter the applicant’s signature as the applicant wishes  the license to be issued.  14B. Enter the date of the signature.  14C. Enter the applicant’s LEGIBLY printed name as the  Applicant wishes it to appear on the license. |
| 15 A-D  Warehouse Operator’s Certification | 15 A. Warehouse operator enters name of warehouse operator:  Enter the warehouse operator’s full legal name and type of organization:    For a **proprietor**, enter, for example “Susan Doe”.  For a **corporation**, enter, for example, “Does, Inc.”, a BLANK corporation, where BLANK is the name of the state of incorporation.  For a **general partnership**, enter, for example “Letitia Doe, Frank Doe, Selma Doe, and James Doe, copartners, trading as Doe Farms” then “under the laws of BLANK” where BLANK is the state under whose laws the partnership is organized.  For a **limited partnership**, enter, for example “Doe Farms Limited Partnership under the laws of BLANK, Selma Doe, General Partner” where BLANK is the state of organization and under whose laws the applicant operate.  For a **limited liability company**, enter, for example “Doe Farms, L. L. C., a BLANK limited liability company” where BLANK is the name of the state under which organized).  15 B. Enter the authorized signature.  15 C. Enter the signer’s title.  15 D. Enter the date *(MM-DD-YYYY)* signed. |