Federal Marketing Order 983 - Administrative Committee for Pistachios

**Minimal Testing Request**

**Submit to:**

Administrative Committee for Pistachios

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Federal Marketing Order 983 states in section 983.53, that handlers who handle less than 1 million pounds of assessed weight per year have these options for aflatoxin testing: 1) have inspector sample and test the entire inventory of hulled and dried pistachios for aflatoxin certification before further processing; 2) segregate receipts into various lots and have inspector sample and test each lot.

To apply for minimal testing, fill out this form, sign, and submit to the ACP by October 1st of each production year. The ACP will approve or deny the request and return a signed copy to handler. The handler is responsible for retaining a copy of the completed form for their own records for 3 years following the production year in which the pistachios were shipped.

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| Handler Name | | Crop Year |
| Address | | |
| City | State | Zip |
| Email | Phone | |
| Prepared By | Title | |
| Signature | Signature Date | |

To be completed by the Administrative Committee for Pistachios: Approved \_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_

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Manager’s Signature Date

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