

**AMERICAN PECAN PROMOTION BOARD
DOMESTIC PRODUCER (IMPORTER) APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION
FROM ASSESSMENT**

In accordance with 7 CFR 1223.53 of the Pecan Promotion, Research, and Information Order (Exemption Procedures): Any producer (importer) who produces (imports) less than 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans (25,000 pounds of shelled pecans) on average for four fiscal periods (the fiscal period for which the exemption is claimed and the previous three fiscal periods) may apply for exemption from the American Pecan Promotion Board. The fiscal period is defined as October 1 to September 30.

The Board may audit requesters to provide supporting documentation or reports to verify production of exempt pecans.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

(To Be Signed and Dated by Applicant)

I hereby certify the following total levels of domestic pecan production is less than 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans (25,000 pounds of shelled pecans) for fiscal years 20xx/20xx, 20xx/20xx, 20xx/20xx and 20xx/20xx. I therefore request a Certificate of Exemption from the American Pecan Promotion Board for the fiscal year 20xx/20xx. (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.)

	Inshell Pounds	Shelled Pounds
Actual Total for 10/1/20xx-9/30/20xx		
Actual Total for 10/1//20xx-9/30/20xx		
Actual Total for 10/1/20xx-9/30/20xx		
Estimated Total for 10/1/20xx-9/30/20xx		
Total for 4 Years		
Average=Total for 4 Years Divided by 4		

Signature _____ Date: _____

Please Print

Name of Applicant: _____

Company Name (if applicable): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____

Zip Code: _____ **Phone:** _____ **E-mail:** _____

Please send this completed Application for Exemption from Assessment to the American Pecan Promotion Board (APPB) at the following address:

APPB
Address
State, City Zip
E-mail: _____

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