

## Subpart A—Regulations

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## DEFINITIONS

## § 61.1 Words in singular form.

Words used in the regulations in this subpart in the singular form shall be deemed to import the plural, and vice-versa, as the case may demand.

## § 61.2 Terms defined.

As used throughout the regulations in this part, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall be construed, respectively to mean:

(a) *The act*. The applicable provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 1087; 7 U.S.C. 1621 *et seq.*) or any other act of Congress conferring like authority.

(b) *Regulations*. Regulations mean the provisions in this subpart.

(c) *Department*. The United States Department of Agriculture.

(d) *Secretary*. The Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, or any officer or employee of the Department to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in his stead.

(e) *Service*. The Agricultural Marketing Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

(f) *Administrator*. The Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, or any officer or employee of the Service, to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in his stead.

(g) *Division*. The Cotton Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

(h) *Director*. The Director of the Cotton Division, or any officer or employee of the Division to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in his stead.

(i) *Custodian*. Person who has possession or control of cottonseed or of samples of cottonseed as agent, controller, broker, or factor, as the case may be.

(j) *Owner*. Person who through financial interest owns or controls, or has

the disposition of either cottonseed or of samples of cottonseed.

(k) *Official cottonseed standards*. The official standards of the United States for the grading, sampling, and analyzing of cottonseed sold or offered for sale for crushing purposes.

(l) *Supervisor of cottonseed inspection*. An officer of the Division designated as such by the Director.

(m) *License*. A license issued under the act by the Secretary.

(n) *Licensed cottonseed chemist*. A person licensed under the act by the Secretary to make quantitative and qualitative chemical analyses of samples of cottonseed according to the methods prescribed by the Science Division Director of the Agricultural Marketing Service and to certificate the grade according to the official cottonseed standards of the United States.

(o) *Licensed cottonseed sampler*. A person licensed by the Secretary to draw and to certificate the authenticity of samples of cottonseed in accordance with the regulations in this subpart.

(p) *Dispute*. A disagreement as to the true grade of a sample of cottonseed analyzed and graded by a licensed chemist.

(q) *Party*. A party to a dispute.

(r) *Commercial laboratory*. A chemical laboratory operated by an individual, firm, or corporation in which one or more persons are engaged in the chemical analysis of materials for the public.

(s) *Cottonseed*. The word "cottonseed" as used in this part means the seed, after having been put through the usual and customary process known as cotton ginning, of any cotton produced within the continental United States.

(t) *Lot*. That parcel or quantity of cottonseed offered for sale or tendered for delivery or delivered on a sale or contract of sale, in freight cars, trucks, wagons, or otherwise in the quantities and within the time limits prescribed from time to time by the Director for the drawing and preparation of official samples by licensed cottonseed samplers.

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(u) *Official sample*. A specimen of cottonseed drawn and prepared by a licensed cottonseed sampler and certified by him as representative of a certain identified lot, in accordance with the regulations in this subpart.

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### **§ 61.2a Designation of official certificates, memoranda, marks, other identifications, and devices for purpose of the Agricultural Marketing Act.**

Subsection 203(h) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended by Pub. L. 272, 84th Congress, provides criminal penalties for various specified offenses relating to official certificates, memoranda, marks, or other identifications, and devices for making such marks or identifications, issued or authorized under section 203 of said act, and certain misrepresentations concerning the inspection or grading of agricultural products under said section. For the purposes of said subsection and the provisions in this part, the terms listed below shall have the respective meanings specified:

(a) *Official certificate* means any form of certification, either written or printed, used under this part to certify with respect to the inspection, sampling, class, grade, quality, quantity, or condition of products (including the compliance of products with applicable specifications).

(b) *Official memorandum* means any initial record of findings made by an authorized person in the process of grading, inspecting, or sampling, pursuant to this part, any processing or plant-operation report made by an authorized person in connection with grading, inspecting, or sampling under this part, and any report made by an authorized person of services performed pursuant to this part.

(c) *Official mark* means the grade mark, inspection mark, and any other mark, approved by the Administrator and authorized to be affixed to any product, or affixed to or printed on the packaging material of any product, stating that the product was graded or inspected or both, or indicating the appropriate U.S. grade or condition of the product, or for the purpose or main-

taining the identity of products graded or inspected or both under this part.

(d) *Official identification* means any United States (U.S.) standard designation of class, grade, quality, quantity, or condition specified in this part, or any symbol, stamp, label, or seal indicating that the product has been officially graded or inspected and/or indicating the class, grade, quality, quantity, or condition of the product, approved by the Administrator and authorized to be affixed to any product, or affixed to or printed on the packaging material of any product.

(e) *Official device* means a stamping appliance, branding device, stencil, printed label, or any other mechanically or manually operated tool that is approved by the Administrator for the purpose of applying any official mark or other identification to any product or the packaging material thereof.

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL

#### **§ 61.3 Director.**

The Director shall perform for and under the supervision of the Secretary and the Administrator, such duties as the Secretary or the Administrator may require in enforcing the provisions of the act and the regulations.

#### **§ 61.4 Supervisor of cottonseed inspection.**

The Director, whenever he deems necessary, may designate an officer of the Division as supervisor of cottonseed inspection who shall supervise the inspection and sampling of cottonseed and perform such other duties as may be required of him in administering the act and the regulations.

#### **§ 61.5 Regulations to govern.**

The inspection, sampling, analyzing, and grading of cottonseed in the United States pursuant to the act shall be performed as prescribed in methods approved from time to time by the Director.

#### **§ 61.6 Denial of further services.**

Any person, partnership, or corporation that shall have undertaken to utilize the services of licensed cottonseed samplers under these regulations who shall not make available for official