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POULTRY PARTIAL LOT GRADING

Purpose

This instruction defines when partial lot grading of poultry can be performed.

Procedures

I. Lot Grading

A partial lot grading may be performed under the following conditions.

- A. When a grader is unable to select a representative sample due to the way the containers are stacked.
- B. When an applicant requests a smaller sample than that required by the regulations.
- C. When the applicant insists on selecting the samples rather than the grader.
- D. When the applicant requests the grader to stop a grading before the completion of the samples because the quality is lower than required.

Only the containers examined shall be stamped. The certificate will show, "total containers" and the number of "containers examined" as being identical.

*Note - no reference to the lot size shall be stated on the certificate.

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