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Long-Term Actions

(households that include a member or members age 60 or over shall continue to have a resource limit of \$3000); 2) allow a resource exclusion for the first \$1500 of the value of one pre-paid funeral arrangement per household member (in instances where the total value of the agreement is not already excluded because it is funded under a life insurance policy or an inaccessible trust fund); 3) allow households in which all members are elderly or disabled to be certified for up to 24 months, provided that the State agency contacts the household at least once

every 12 months; and 4) allow States the option to provide transitional FDPIR benefits (for 3 months), at a minimum, to households with earnings that leave the Temporary Assistance Program for Needy Families (TANF). All of the above provisions conform to Food Stamp Program policy and will ensure consistent treatment between the two programs. (01-005)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State, Tribal

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**Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**

Completed Actions

370. DISCLOSURE OF FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION UNDER THE SCHOOL NUTRITION, SUMMER FOOD SERVICE, AND CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAMS

Priority: Other Significant

CFR Citation: 7 CFR 215; 7 CFR 225; 7 CFR 226; 7 CFR 245

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn-- Incorporated into RIN 0584-AC95	01/11/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

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371. NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS: IDENTIFICATION OF BLENDED BEEF, PORK, POULTRY, OR SEAFOOD PRODUCTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 7 CFR 210; 7 CFR 220

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	07/24/01	66 FR 38349
Final Action Effective	08/24/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

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**Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)**

Prerule Stage

372. POULTRY INSPECTION: REVISION OF FINISHED PRODUCT STANDARDS WITH RESPECT TO INGESTA

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 9 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC77

**Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)**

Proposed Rule Stage

373. GRANT AND INAUGURATION OF INSPECTION

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 304; 9 CFR 305

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is proposing to clarify the regulations in 9 CFR parts 304 and 305, which provide for grant and inauguration of inspection in meat and poultry establishments to address

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Proposed Rule Stage

issues raised by the Office of Inspector General and others.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected:

Undetermined

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RIN: 0583-AC07

374. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR BACON

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 10 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC49

375. REFORM OF REGULATIONS ON IMPORTED MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451 et seq; 21 USC 601 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 327; 9 CFR 381

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: As part of its continuing regulatory reform effort, FSIS is proposing to consolidate and streamline the regulations governing the importation of livestock and poultry products to make them consistent with the regulatory approach the Agency has taken in its Pathogen Reduction/Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (PR/HACCP) regulations and related rulemakings. FSIS is proposing to eliminate obsolete provisions and, where appropriate, to replace command-and-control provisions with performance standards. The Agency is proposing to require establishments where import inspection is conducted to have documented process controls that parallel in some respects the HACCP and other documented systems that establishments where inspection of domestic products is conducted must have.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC56

376. EGG AND EGG PRODUCTS INSPECTION REGULATIONS

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 11 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC58

377. LABELING—GENERIC APPROVAL AND REGULATION CONSOLIDATION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451 to 470; 21 USC 601 to 695

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 327; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 412

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rulemaking will continue an effort initiated several years ago by amending FSIS's regulations to expand the types of labeling that are generically approved. FSIS plans to propose that the submission of labeling for approval prior to use be limited to certain types of labeling, as specified in the regulations. In addition, FSIS plans to reorganize and amend the regulations by consolidating labeling rules that currently are stated separately for livestock products and poultry products (in part 317, subpart A, and part 381, subpart N, respectively) and by amending their provisions to set out clearly various circumstances under which these products are misbranded.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 0583-AC59

378. PATHOGEN REDUCTION; HAZARD ANALYSIS AND CRITICAL CONTROL POINTS (HACCP) SYSTEMS; ADDITIONS TO GENERIC E. COLI CRITERIA

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 12 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC63

379. ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR TOTAL QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEMS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 7 USC 394 et seq; 21 USC 451 et seq; 21 USC 601 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 318; 9 CFR 381

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This proposed rule would amend the meat and poultry inspection regulations by removing all requirements relating to total quality control (TQC) systems. A TQC system is a comprehensive, planned documented system of activities intended to ensure the stability of processes and the uniformity of products throughout a manufacturing plant. The proposal would remove the design requirements for TQC systems and the requirements for FSIS prior approval, or approval before implementation, of such systems. The proposal also would amend the regulations governing the operating schedules of official establishments to remove the provisions concerning establishments with approved TQC systems.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State

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Proposed Rule Stage

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RIN: 0583-AC68

380. PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 553

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 392

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is proposing to amend its regulations to add a new part that prescribes procedures for the submission, consideration, and disposition of petitions for rulemaking. The proposal also describes the Agency's expectations for the type of documentation that must be submitted in support of a petition and that will facilitate regulatory development. FSIS is proposing this action to provide clear guidance to those who would like to participate in the rulemaking process by petitioning FSIS to issue, amend, or repeal a rule administered by the Agency.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 0583-AC81

381. CLASSES OF POULTRY UPDATING POULTRY CLASS STANDARDS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 381.170(a)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is proposing to amend the official U.S. classes of poultry so that they more accurately and clearly describe the characteristics of poultry in the market today. Poultry classes are defined primarily in terms of age and sex of the bird. Genetic improvements and new poultry management techniques have reduced the grow-out period for some poultry classes while extensive cross breeding has produced poultry with higher meat yields but blurred breed distinctions. This action is being taken to ensure that poultry products are labeled in a truthful and non-misleading manner.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC83

382. • ELIMINATION OF CHILLING TIME AND TEMPERATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR READY-TO-COOK POULTRY (SECTION 610 REVIEW)

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 13 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC87

383. • EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO PREVENT MEAT FOOD AND MEAT PRODUCTS THAT MAY CONTAIN THE BSE AGENT FROM ENTERING COMMERCE

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 14 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC88

384. • INCREASES IN FEES FOR MEAT, POULTRY, AND EGG PRODUCTS INSPECTION SERVICES—FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2002

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601 et seq; 21 USC 451 et seq; 21 USC 1031 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 391.2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Food Safety and Inspection Service is proposing to increase the fees it charges meat and poultry establishments, egg products plants, importers, and exporters for providing voluntary inspection services, overtime and holiday inspection services, identification services, certification services, and laboratory services. These proposed fee increases reflect the national and locality pay raise for Federal employees and inflationary costs. FSIS is proposing to make the fee increases effective as soon as possible. At this time, FSIS is not proposing to change the fee it charges for the accredited Laboratory Program. The Agency is also proposing to add part 592 to title 9 of the CFR to raise fees for the voluntary inspection of egg products.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/16/01	66 FR 52548
NPRM Comment Period End	11/15/01	
Final Action	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)

Final Rule Stage

385. BEEF OR PORK WITH BARBECUE SAUCE; REVISION OF STANDARDS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 319

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been petitioned to amend the Federal meat inspection regulations by removing a meat yield requirement for the standardized products "Beef With Barbecue Sauce" and "Pork With Barbecue Sauce." Current regulations for these products require that the product contain not less than 50 percent of the species identified on the label and that the weight of the cooked pork or beef not exceed 70 percent of the uncooked weight of the meat. The first requirement is consistent with other meat and sauce requirements, but the second requirement is not. The petitioner asserts that the product standard (promulgated in 1952) does not reflect current production practices or the commercial marketability of beef or pork with barbecue sauce. The petitioner further states that producers of these products are at a competitive disadvantage with other meat and sauce producers, because other meat and sauce producers do not have a 70 percent yield requirement. For example, producers of the standardized products "Beef with Gravy," "Meat Pies," and "Spaghetti with Meat and Sauce" and similar standardized products do not have any meat yield requirements.

FSIS has determined that the petitioner's request should be granted. This action would permit fair competition between meat and barbecue sauce producers, and poultry and sauce producers, and would provide consistent requirements in both the meat and poultry inspection regulations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/03/97	62 FR 46450
NPRM Comment Period End	11/03/97	
Final Action	02/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC09

386. MEAT PRODUCED BY ADVANCED MEAT/BONE SEPARATION MACHINERY AND RECOVERY SYSTEMS

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 15 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC51

387. INCORPORATION OF FOOD AND COLOR ADDITIVES INTO 21 CFR

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 602 et seq; 21 USC 451 et seq; 21 USC 321 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 318.7; 9 CFR 381.147

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final rule will amend the meat and poultry inspection regulations by completing earlier efforts to incorporate current listings in 9 CFR into 21 CFR.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC69

388. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR ON-LINE ANTIMICROBIAL REPROCESSING OF PRE-CHILL POULTRY CARCASSES

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 16 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 0583-AC73

389. SHARING RECALL DISTRIBUTION LISTS WITH STATE AND OTHER FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 5 USC 552; 7 CFR 1.3; 7 CFR 2.7

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 390

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS will add regulations concerning sharing distribution lists with State and other Federal Government agencies during a food recall.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/19/00	65 FR 56503
NPRM Comment Period End	11/20/00	
Final Action	02/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: State

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RIN: 0583-AC75

390. AGENCY ORGANIZATION

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451 to 470; 21 USC 601 to 695; 21 USC 1031 to 1056

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 300; 9 CFR 301; 9 CFR 306; 9 CFR 320; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 590

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rulemaking will amend FSIS's regulations adopted under the FMA, PPIA, and EPIA by updating and consolidating organizational provisions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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Final Rule Stage

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RIN: 0583-AC78

391. LABELING OF NATURAL OR REGENERATED COLLAGEN SAUSAGE CASINGS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601 to 695; 7 USC 138f; 7 USC 450; 21 USC 451 to 470

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 381

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is requiring that the source of natural sausage casings be disclosed on the product label if they are derived from a different type of meat or poultry than the meat or poultry in the enclosed sausage. Establishments producing, manufacturing, or using natural sausage casings or sausages encased in natural casings are also required to maintain records documenting the source of the casings. FSIS is requiring that the labels of sausage products encased in regenerated collagen casings disclose the use of the regenerated collagen casing. However, FSIS is not requiring that records on the source of the regenerated collagen casings be kept.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/17/97	62 FR 38220
NPRM Comment Period End	09/15/97	
Final Action	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC80

392. FOOD STANDARDS: REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBSTANTIVE STANDARDIZED MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS NAMED BY USE OF AN EXPRESSED NUTRIENT CONTENT CLAIM AND A STANDARDIZED TERM

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601; 21 USC 451

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 381.172; 9 CFR 319.10

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is amending the Federal meat and poultry inspection regulations to establish a general definition and standard of identity for standardized meat and poultry products that have been modified to qualify for use of an expressed nutrient content claim in their product names. These products will be identified by an expressed nutrient content claim, such as “fat free,” “low fat,” and “light,” in conjunction with an appropriate standardized term. FSIS is taking this action to 1) assist consumers to maintain healthy dietary practices by providing for modified versions of standardized meat and poultry products that have reductions of certain constituents that are of health concern to some people, 2) increase regulatory flexibility and support product innovation and, 3) provide consumers with an informative nutrition labeling system.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/29/95	60 FR 67474
NPRM Comment Period End	02/27/96	
Final Action	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC82

393. MANDATORY INSPECTION OF RATITES AND SQUABS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 361; 9 CFR 381

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is amending the regulations to include ratites and squabs under mandatory poultry inspection.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	04/26/01	
Interim Final Rule	05/01/01	66 FR 21631
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	07/02/01	
Final Rule	12/00/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)

Long-Term Actions

394. TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE, AND OTHER HANDLING OF POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS

Priority: Other Significant. Major under 5 USC 801.

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 308; 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 325; 9 CFR 381

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	11/22/96	61 FR 59372
ANPRM Comment Period End	02/20/97	
NPRM	To Be Determined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Federalism: Undetermined

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395. ANTE-MORTEM AND POST-MORTEM INSPECTION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY**Priority:** Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 309; 9 CFR 310; 9 CFR 381**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** State**Agency Contact:** Daniel L. Engeljohn
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RIN: 0583-AC43

396. REQUIREMENTS FOR DISPOSITION AND DISPOSAL OF INSPECTED RAW MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS**Priority:** Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 311; 9 CFR 314; 9 CFR 320; 9 CFR 325; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 428; 9 CFR 455**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** State**Agency Contact:** Daniel L. Engeljohn
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RIN: 0583-AC44

397. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR READY-TO-EAT MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS**Priority:** Economically Significant**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 430**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/27/01	66 FR 12590
NPRM Comment Period End	05/29/01	
NPRM Extended Comment Period	07/03/01	66 FR 35112
NPRM Comment Period End	09/10/01	
Final Action	12/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined**Agency Contact:** Daniel L. Engeljohn
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RIN: 0583-AC46

398. REWORKING OF MEAT AND POULTRY CARCASSES ACCIDENTALLY CONTAMINATED DURING EVisCERATION**Priority:** Other Significant**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 310; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 433**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Daniel L. Engeljohn
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399. NUTRITION LABELING OF GROUND OR CHOPPED MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS AND SINGLE-INGREDIENT PRODUCTS**Priority:** Other Significant**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 381**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/18/01	66 FR 4970
NPRM Comment Period End	04/18/01	
NPRM Comment Period End	07/17/01	

Action	Date	FR Cite
Extension of Comment Period	07/20/01	66 FR 20213
Final Action	12/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Robert Post
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RIN: 0583-AC60

400. FOOD LABELING; NUTRIENT CONTENT CLAIMS, DEFINITION OF THE TERM HEALTHY**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**CFR Citation:** 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 381**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	12/28/99	64 FR 72490
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	01/27/00	
Next Action	Undetermined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Robert Post
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RIN: 0583-AC65

401. FOOD STANDARDS; GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS MODERNIZATION**Priority:** Other Significant**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Robert Post
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Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Completed Actions

Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)

402. PERFORMANCE STANDARD FOR THE CHILLING OR OTHER PROCESSING OF LIVESTOCK CARCASSES AND READY-TO-COOK POULTRY

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 381

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	07/30/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected:

Undetermined

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403. OTHER CONSUMER PROTECTION ACTIVITIES

Priority: Other Significant

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 318; 9 CFR 319; 9 CFR 381

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	07/26/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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404. TERMINOLOGY

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 301; 9 CFR 311; 9 CFR 327; 9 CFR 381; 9 CFR 590

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	07/26/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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405. • PRODUCT LABELING: DEFINING UNITED STATES CATTLE AND UNITED STATES FRESH BEEF PRODUCTS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 601 et seq

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317 and 327

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is seeking comments on the need to clarify the definition of "U.S. Cattle" and "U.S. fresh beef products" for labeling purposes. The secretary, USDA, has been directed to promulgate regulations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	08/07/01	66 FR 41160

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0583-AC85

406. • ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTIAL QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAMS; CERTIFICATION OF SCALES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 21 USC 451 to 470; 21 USC 601 to 695

CFR Citation: 9 CFR 317; 9 CFR 381

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: FSIS is amending sections 317.21(d) and 381.121d of the Federal meat and poultry inspection regulations to permit FSIS-inspected establishments to have, in lieu of certification by State or local agencies or State-licensed repair firms or persons, alternative documented procedures for showing that the scales meet the requirements of National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Handbook 44. The alternative documented procedures could be a partial quality control (PQC) program for net weight (for which FSIS no longer has approval or design requirements), a total quality control (TQC) system provision, or other procedures showing the establishment's scales meet NIST Handbook 44 requirements. FSIS has determined that the regulatory provisions in question are unduly restrictive and should include an option for the establishments to have alternative documented procedures showing that scales meet NIST Handbook 44 requirements.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/18/00	65 FR 56262
NPRM Comment Period End	10/03/00	
Final Action	10/16/01	66 FR 52484
Final Action Effective	11/15/01	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

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