

to support this purpose, FNS will also require each school food authority to collect and report the number of students who were terminated as a result of verification but who were reinstated as of February 15th. The first report containing this data element would be required in the school year beginning July 1, 2005 and each school year thereafter. State agencies may develop paper or electronic reporting forms to collect this data from school food authorities, as long as all required data elements are collected from each school food authority. School food authorities shall retain copies of the information reported under this section and all supporting documents for a minimum of 3 years. All verified applications must be readily retrievable on an individual school basis and include all documents submitted by the household for the purpose of confirming eligibility, reproductions of those documents, or annotations made by the determining official which indicate which documents were submitted by the household and the date of submission. All relevant correspondence between the households selected for verification and the school or school food authority must be retained. School food authorities are encouraged to collect and report any or all verification data elements before the required dates.

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■ 4. In § 245.11, add a new paragraph (i) to read as follows:

§ 245.11 Action by State agencies and FNSROs.

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(i) No later than March 1, 2005 and by March 1st each year thereafter, each State agency must collect annual verification data from each school food authority as described in § 245.6a(c) and in accordance with guidelines provided by FNS. Each State agency must analyze these data, determine if there are potential problems, and formulate corrective actions and technical assistance activities that will support the objective of certifying only those children eligible for free or reduced price meals. No later than April 15,

2005 and by April 15 each year thereafter, each State agency must report to FNS the verification information in a consolidated electronic file that has been reported to it as required under § 245.6a(c), by school food authority, and any ameliorative actions the State agency has taken or intends to take in school food authorities with high levels of applications changed due to verification. Contingent upon new funding to support this purpose, FNS will also require each State agency to report the aggregate number of students who were terminated as a result of verification but who were reinstated as of February 15th. The first report containing this data element would be required in the school year beginning July 1, 2005 and each school year thereafter. State agencies are encouraged to collect and report any or all verification data elements before the required dates.

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Change in Minimum Quality and Handling Standards for Domestic and Imported Peanuts Marketed in the United States; Corrections

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Corrections to interim final rule.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Marketing Service published an interim final rule in the **Federal Register** on August 7, 2003 (68 FR 46919), which changed the minimum quality and handling standards for domestic and imported peanuts marketed in the United States. A table specifying minimum quality standards in that rule contained several

errors. This document corrects those errors.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 11, 2003.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

AMS published an interim final rule that changed peanut quality and handling standards for domestic and imported peanuts marketed in the United States. The interim final rule was issued under section 1308 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-171; 7 U.S.C. 7958).

Need for Correction

As published, the Minimum Quality Standards table (table) following paragraph (a) in § 996.31 contained several errors. The heading “Unshelled peanuts and damaged kernels and defects” should have read “Unshelled peanuts and damaged kernels and minor defects”. Under that heading for No. 2 Virginia peanuts, the number 2.50 should have been 3.00. Also, in the type and grade category column of the table, the percentage of split kernels (not less than 90 percent splits) was not included for Spanish and Valencia peanuts. This notation should have been included to be consistent with the Runner and Virginia peanut variety listings for lots of “splits”. This correction document makes these changes.

Correction to Publication

■ Accordingly, the publication on August 7, 2003 (68 FR 46919), which is the subject of FR Doc. 03-20158, is corrected as follows:

■ 1. On page 46924, following paragraph (a) in § 996.31 the “Minimum Quality Standards” table is corrected to read as follows:

§ 996.31 Outgoing Quality Requirements

(a) * * *