

## ***Fresh Products Branch Bulletin***

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### **RESTRICTING INSPECTIONS TO INDIVIDUAL FACTORS OF QUALITY OR CONDITION**

**POLICY**

Effective immediately, inspections may be restricted to any individual factor(s) requested by an applicant. This includes any factor of condition such as decay, bruising, discoloration, etc. and any factor of quality such as cuts, shape, growth cracks, etc. as well as internal defects only, external defects only, multiple hearts in onions, sprouting on potatoes, etc.

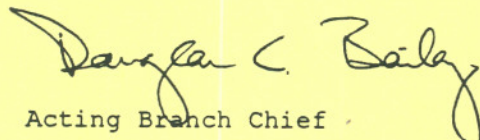
Any inspection that does not report all quality and condition factors or any inspection that is restricted to a factor(s) other than quality or condition (e.g. freeze only, temperature only, weight only, etc.) must be qualified under "REMARKS" by a statement similar to the one following:

"The above lot is restricted to reporting misshapen only at applicant's request."

Under such restrictions, it is not permissible to report any grade for the lot in question. Grade may be certified only if a full quality and condition inspection is performed.

All inspections that are restricted to an individual factor(s), other than condition only, shall be billed on an hourly basis with a 1/2 hour minimum.

This policy change will be reflected in future handbook updates.

  
Acting Branch Chief

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