Fruit and Vegetable Quality Control Inspector

Essential Tasks Rating Results

1	Perform a variety of inspection and certification of fruits, vegetables and other commodities
	at wholesale, production, farmer's markets, or swap meets/roadside stands to ensure
	commodities meet minimum standards.
2	Determine product compliance by selecting and testing a representative sample of various
	commodities (such as fruits, vegetables, nuts, or eggs) using appropriate standards.
3	Perform commodity inspections indoor and outdoor such as packing sheds, cold storage
	rooms, and in the field.
4	Enforce minimum quality standards, marking requirements, the Food and Agricultural Code,
	and California Code of Regulations.
5	Conduct inspections using various types of equipment/materials (e.g., cell phone/tablet,
	inspection checklist/forms) to record inspection information.
6	Issue Non-Compliance, Hold-Off Sale, and Notices of Violations for products which fail to
	meet registration, quality, grade, size, labeling and refrigeration requirements.
7	Collect information/data using a variety of techniques such as interviews, observations,
	document review, to assist with inspection/review procedures.
8	Ensure non-compliant product is properly reconditioned, donated, or destroyed.
9	Enforce state and federal marketing orders to maintain the high quality of produce which is
	on the market.
10	Work with other state and federal agencies to ensure cooperative inspection activities are
	carried out uniformly.
11	Review and discuss issues with individuals to promote compliance with laws and
	regulations.
12	Perform inspection activities with a high level of independence (to include managing
	assignments, workload, and projects) to ensure efficiency with a minimum of supervision.
13	Travel throughout the State of California as required to certify product(s).
14	Meet with the supervisor as necessary to discuss state enforcement issues.
15	Train new entry level and seasonal inspectors in Federal and State regulations,
	procedures, grades, and standards to ensure inspection activities are carried out uniformly.
16	Participate in job-related training activities as requested by supervisor in order to ensure
	uniform certification and compliance with laws and standards.
17	Work with and provide technical oversight to county staff to ensure uniformity between
	counties in the way they enforce state and federal fruit and vegetable standards.
18	Participate in training with newly hired inspectors in commodity inspection techniques and
	procedures to ensure accuracy of work.
19	Participate in training and workshops with commissioners and their staff in commodity
	inspection techniques and procedures to ensure accuracy of training and uniformity
	between counties.
20	Check certificates and Notices of Non-Compliance and other records for accuracy.
21	Compile and analyze data collected to prepare reports and summaries to complete work
	tasks.
22	Complete daily work activity log.
	Prepare, complete, and submit monthly travel expense claims, additional time worked
23	reports, and State vehicle travel logs.
	Answer questions from industry pertaining to California minimum standards to keep
24	consumers apprised of Program laws and regulations.
	Advise individuals and provide information to ensure compliance with procedures, rules,
25	guidelines, and laws.
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