

December 14, 2016

To: All Registered Service Agencies/Agents Certified

Subject: Standards Requirements

In order to maintain your current registration as a service agency with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department), you must possess (or have available for use) certified standards and testing equipment. This certification must be performed at least every two years, either by the Department, other NIST recognized state weights and measures laboratories, or other accredited (ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation) metrology laboratories and be traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

For the Department to determine current certification of your agency's standards, the following change is effective January 1, 2017. Beginning with your next registration renewal, you are required to provide documentation of metrology laboratory certification for all standards used by your agents to install and repair commercial weighing and measuring devices in California. Failure to submit this documentation will delay issuance of your registration and may lead to enforcement actions by county or state weights and measures officials.

If you have questions about standards certification requirements, please contact Tony Gruneisen, Principal State Metrologist at anthony.gruneisen@cdfa.ca.gov or (916) 229-4858.

Sincerely,

Kristin J. Macey

Director

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