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- 1. <u>Does your product contain a chelating agent?</u>
 - a. **IF YES**, include a guarantee for the percentage of chelated material following the format in § 2305 of the California Code of Regulations (see next page) **AND**

identify the chelated material(s) in the derivation statement.

- b. Is the chelated material iron, manganese, or zinc?
 - i. **IF YES**, include a heavy metals statement on the label AND submit a heavy metals analysis.
- c. Is it a dry product?
 - i. **IF YES**, submit a written description of the chelate production process.

2. Does your product contain a complexing agent?

- a. **IF YES**, identify the complexed material in the derivation statement.
- b. Is the complexed material iron, manganese, or zinc?
 - i. **IF YES**, include a heavy metals statement on the label AND submit a heavy metals analysis.

Note: Amino Acids may be claimed as complexes on labeling, but not chelates. You may submit efficacy data for review to substantiate amino acid claims as a chelate.

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§ 2305. Chelating Agents.

The label of each product for which a chelation claim is made shall state:

- (a) The name of the chelating agent.
- (b) The percentage of the guaranteed micronutrient content which is

chelated, for example, in the following format:

Zinc (Zn).....%

<u>%</u> Chelated Zinc

Note: Authority cited: Sections 407, 14502 and 14631, Food and Agricultural Code. Reference: Sections 14502 and 14631, Food and Agricultural Code. https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/docs/Fertilizer_Law_and_Regs.pdf