



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

November 3, 2025

To the person addressed:

Enclosed are Grape Crush and Purchase Inquiry forms and Assessment Report forms required by Sections 55601.5, 55601.6, and 6047.1 through 6047.19 of the Food and Agricultural Code (leginfo.legislature.ca.gov). These forms are to be completed and returned to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department) in the enclosed postage- paid envelope by January 31, 2026. If you need to submit these forms via another delivery method, please address to 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 6-100, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Please note: Passage of AB 1322, effective January 1, 2026, changes the date the Grape Crush and Purchase Inquiry forms and Assessment Report forms are due from January 10th of each year to January 31st of each year. Accordingly, the Grape Crush preliminary report will be published on or before March 15th of each year and the final report will be published on or before April 30th of each year. Please note these legislative changes went into effect after the Grape Crush Report form had already been printed so the forms still reflect the deadlines that were in place before.

Grape Crush and Purchase Inquiry Forms

The Grape Crush and Purchase Inquiry (Inquiry) and Assessment Report No. 1 are due to the Department no later than January 31, 2026. An electronic version (MS Excel Spreadsheet) of the Inquiry is also available. You may download the spreadsheet from the Department web site at cdfa.ca.gov/mkt/grapecrush or email the office at GrapeCrush@cdfa.ca.gov to have the spreadsheet emailed to you. The certification page must be completed and signed to validate the reported information.

Return the Inquiry or the enclosed yellow paper if you did not crush or purchase in 2025 to avoid follow-up contacts by the Department. Refusal to submit the required information or misreporting may lead to administrative action per Food and Agricultural Code, Section 55601.5 (h).

Assessment Forms

All wineries and processors must complete and return the pink Assessment Report #1 form. The Grape Crush and Grape Acreage total assessment is \$0.14 per ton. This assessment rate is the same as last year. The Pierce's Disease Assessment fee will be one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of value of grapes.




This assessment rate is also the same as last year. A copy of Table 10 from the “Errata to the Final Grape Crush Report, 2024 Crop” is enclosed to aid you in calculating your Pierce’s Disease Assessment. Please return any additional worksheets used to calculate your assessment.

All processors are required to collect the Pierce’s Disease Assessment from growers for whom they either crushed and/or from whom they purchased grapes. All processors must pay the Pierce’s Disease Assessment for their own grapes regardless of whether they crushed them themselves or had them custom-crushed. No exemption for the Pierce’s Disease Assessment is allowed for processors crushing less than 100 tons of their own or any grower’s grapes.

However, processors who crush 100 tons or less during the year are exempt from paying the Grape Crush and Grape Acreage Assessment fees at both the processor and producer level.

Under Section 55601.5 of the Food and Agriculture Code, information you provide may not be released or otherwise made available except for the purpose of enforcing this section. If you have questions concerning the completion of these forms, please contact the Grape Crush Team at 916-738-6569 or GrapeCrush@cdfa.ca.gov. To request additional forms, please contact Spencer LaVelle at 916-738-6610 or Spencer.LaVelle@cdfa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Kathy Diaz-Cretu, Director
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Enclosures