

**Conference for Food Protection
2016 Issue Form**

Issue: 2016 II-011

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Issue History:

This is a brand new Issue.

Title:

Amend VNRFRPS – Standard 4 – Uniform Inspection Program (Part 1)

Issue you would like the Conference to consider:

Amend Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standard (VNRFRPS) No. 4 to reflect recommendations from the 2012 CFP Uniform Inspection Program Audit Pilot Project Report.

The Pilot Project Report is available with this Issue as a supporting attachment; it is also currently posted on the CFP website at:

<http://www.foodprotect.org/media/guide/uniform-inspection-program-audit-pilot-project-report.pdf>

Public Health Significance:

The 2012 CFP Uniform Inspection Audit Pilot Project Report evaluated the Uniform Inspection Program process and audit worksheet as tools for conducting the quality assurance evaluations in Program Standard No. 4.

Implementing the following changes will address some of the recommendations provided in the Pilot Project Report, while also providing greater flexibility, improved program quality assessment, and greater consistency between Program Standard No. 2 and No. 4:

1. More closely align the ten Program Elements described in Program Standard No. 4 with the Performance Elements and Competencies contained in the Standard No. 2 - CFP Field Training Plan for new hires or staff newly assigned to the retail food protection program.
2. Provide a re-ordered listing of the Program Elements in Program Standard No. 4 to reflect the organized flow of the inspection process.
3. Increase the minimum number of required field assessments (joint inspections) to maintain consistency with the current statistical model upon which Standard 4 is based; this calculation is shown in "Attachment C - Update: Explanation of the Statistical Model for Program Standard No. 4."

Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:

that a letter be sent to the FDA requesting that the Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (VNRFRPS), Program Standard No. 4 - Uniform Inspection Program, be amended to reflect the changes shown in "Attachment A - Proposed Amendments to Program Standard No. 4 - Uniform Inspection Program" (language to be added is underlined; language to be deleted is in strikethrough format).

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Content Documents:

- "Attachment A- Program Standard No. 4 - Uniform Inspection Program"

Supporting Attachments:

- "Attachment B-Explanation of the Statistical Model for Program Standard No.4"
- "Attachment C-Updated Explanation of the Statistical Model for Prog. Std. 4"
- "Attachment D- Uniform Inspection Program - Audit Pilot Project Report"

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