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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOOD SAFETY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Farmers Market Scale Inspections

Weights and Measures inspectors from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture will be performing farmers market scale inspections. These inspections will be conducted at the Nebraska Standards Laboratory, 3721 W Cuming St, Lincoln, NE 68524 (in the Air Park neighborhood).

Saturday, March 5, 2022
9 a.m.–12 p.m.
3721 W Cuming St, Lincoln, NE 68524

Guidelines for Sales at Farmers Markets, Roadside Stands and Other Commercial Outlets

METHOD OF SALE	
Meat, fish and poultry	Sold by weight ONLY
Loaves of bread	Sold by weight ONLY
Rolls, buns, bread sticks, bagels, cookies, cupcakes, muffins and brownies	Sold by weight or count
Cakes, pies and other desserts	Sold by weight or size
Pizza (uncooked)	Sold by weight
Berries and small fruit	Sold by weight or volume *
Flour, corn meal and hominy grits	Sold by weight
Coffee (customary trade practice)	Sold by weight
Honey, jelly and jams (customary trade practice)	Sold by weight
Tomatoes Cherry tomatoes	Sold by weight or count – volume if one peck or more Sold by weight or volume *
Potatoes	Sold by weight, measures or count
Melons (whole)	Sold by weight or count
Candies (customary trade practice) Individual piece candy	Sold by weight Sold by weight or count
Pickles, pickle products (including relishes) One or two pickles in transparent wrapping	Sold by volume Sold by count

* The individual vendors must choose one of these two methods.

PACKAGE LABELING REQUIREMENTS

Standard Packages
The same product and identical quantities

Signs or individual labels must state:
- Product identity
- Meat, fish and poultry
  - Identity must be on the package
- Responsibility statement
  - Name and address of producer
- Quantity
- Total price (not required)

Random Packages
The same product but various weights

Each package must be labeled with:
- Product identity
- Responsibility statement
- Quantity
- Price per pound
- Total price