§ 56.55  Forms.

Grading certificates and sampling report forms (including appeal grading certificates and regrading certificates) shall be issued on forms approved by the Administrator.

§ 56.56  Issuance.

(a) Resident grading basis. Certificates will be issued only upon request therefor by the applicant or the AMS. When requested, a grader shall issue a certificate covering product graded by such grader. In addition, a grader may issue a grading certificate covering product graded in whole or in part by another grader when the grader has knowledge that the product is eligible for certification based on personal examination of the product or official grading records.

(b) Other than resident grading. Each grader shall, in person or by the grader’s authorized agent, issue a grading certificate covering each product graded by such grader. A grader’s name may be signed on a grading certificate by a person other than the grader, if such person has been designated as the authorized agent of such grader by the national supervisor: Provided, That the certificate is prepared from an official memorandum of grading signed by the grader: Provided further, That a notarized power of attorney authorizing such signature has been issued to such person by the grader and is on file in the office of grading. In such case, the authorized agent shall sign both the agent’s name and the grader’s name, e.g., “John Doe by Mary Roe.”

§ 56.57  Disposition.

The original and a copy of each grading certificate, issued pursuant to §56.56, and not to exceed two additional copies thereof if requested by the applicant prior to issuance, shall, immediately upon issuance, be delivered or mailed to the applicant or the applicant’s designee. Other copies shall be filed and retained in accordance with the disposition schedule for grading program records.