

**§ 956.9**

point outside thereof. Such term shall not include the transportation, sale, or delivery of harvested Walla Walla Sweet Onions to a handler within the production area for the purpose of having such Walla Walla Sweet Onions prepared for market.

**§ 956.9 Container.**

*Container* means a box, bag, crate, hamper, basket, package, or any other receptacle used in the packaging, transporting, sale, shipment, or other handling of Walla Walla Sweet Onions.

**§ 956.10 Producer.**

*Producer* is synonymous with *grower* and means any person engaged in a proprietary capacity in the production of Walla Walla Sweet Onions for market.

**§ 956.11 Varieties.**

*Varieties* means and includes all classifications, subdivisions, or types of Walla Walla Sweet Onions according to those definitive characteristics now or hereafter recognized by the United States Department of Agriculture or recommended by the committee and approved by the Secretary.

**§ 956.12 Committee.**

*Committee* means the Walla Walla Sweet Onion Committee established pursuant to § 956.20.

**§ 956.13 Fiscal period.**

*Fiscal period* means the period beginning on June 1 and ending on May 31 of each year, or other such period as may be recommended by the committee and approved by the Secretary.

**§ 956.14 [Reserved]**

**§ 956.15 Grade and size.**

*Grade* means any of the officially established grades of onions, including maturity requirements and *size* means any of the officially established sizes of onions as set forth in the United States standards for grades of onions or amendments thereto, or modifications thereof, or variations based thereon, or States of Washington or Oregon standards of onions or amendments thereto or modifications thereof or variations based thereon, recommended by the

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committee and approved by the Secretary.

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**§ 956.16 Pack.**

*Pack* means a quantity of Walla Walla Sweet Onions specified by grade, size, weight, or count, or by type or condition of container, or any combination of these recommended by the committee and approved by the Secretary.

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

**§ 956.20 Establishment and membership.**

(a) The Walla Walla Sweet Onion Marketing Committee, consisting of ten members, is hereby established. The committee shall consist of six producer members, three handler members, and one public member. Each member shall have an alternate who shall have the same qualifications as the member.

(b) A producer shall have three years of experience in producing onions in order to qualify for committee membership. At the time of selection, no more than two producer members may be affiliated with the same handler.

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**§ 956.21 Term of office.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the term of office of committee members and their respective alternates shall be for three fiscal periods beginning on June 1 or such other date as recommended by the committee and approved by the Secretary. The terms shall be determined so that one-third of the grower membership and one-third of the handler membership shall terminate each year. Members and alternates shall serve during the term of office for which they are selected and have been qualified, or during that portion thereof beginning on the date on which they qualify during such term of office and continuing until the end thereof, or until their successors are selected and have qualified.