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§ 312.6 Official marks and devices in connection with post-mortem inspection and identification of adulterated products and insanitary equipment and facilities.

(a) The official marks required by parts 310 and 416 of this chapter for use in post-mortem inspection and identification of adulterated products and insanitary equipment and facilities are:

(1) The tag (Form MP–427) which is used to retain carcasses and parts of carcasses in the slaughter department; it is black and white, and bears the legend “U.S. Retained.”

(2) The “U.S. Retained” mark which is applied to products and articles as prescribed in part 310 of this subchapter by means of a paper tag (Form MP–35) bearing the legend “U.S. Retained.”

(3) The “U.S. Rejected” mark which is used to identify insanitary buildings, rooms, or equipment as prescribed in part 416, section 6, of this chapter and is applied by means of a paper tag (Form MP–35) bearing the legend “U.S. Rejected.”

(4) The “U.S. Passed for Cooking” mark is applied on products passed for cooking as prescribed in part 310 of this subchapter by means of a brand and is in the following form:

![U.S. PASSED FOR COOKING](https://example.com/u.s.passed_for_cooking.png)

(5) The “U.S. Inspected and Condemned” mark shall be applied to products condemned as prescribed in part 310 by means of a brand and is in the following form:

![U.S. INSPI'D AND CONDEMNED](https://example.com/u.s.insp’d_and_condemned.png)

(b) The “U.S. Retained” and “U.S. Rejected” tags, and all other brands, stamps, labels, and other devices approved by the Administrator and bearing any official mark prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section, shall be official devices for purposes of the Act.


§ 312.7 [Reserved]

§ 312.8 Official export inspection marks, devices, and certificates.

(a) The official export meat inspection mark required by part 322 of this subchapter shall be in the following form as hereinafter specified:

![USDA CERTIFICATE NO. 529893 APPROVED FOR EXPORT](https://example.com/usda_certificate.png)

Any rubber stamp approved by the Administrator, in the manner provided for in part 317 of this subchapter, and bearing the official mark prescribed in this paragraph shall be an official device for the purposes of the Act.

(b) The official export certificate required by part 322 of this subchapter is a paper certificate form for signature by a Program employee, bearing a letterhead and the seal of the United States Department of Agriculture, with a certification that meat or meat food products described on the form is from animals that received ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection and were found sound and healthy and that it has been inspected and passed as provided by law and the regulations of the Department of Agriculture and is sound and wholesome. The certificate also bears a serial number such as “No. 184432.”


1The number “529893” is given as an example only. The number of the official export certificate will be shown in lieu thereof.