§ 996.13 Peanuts.

_Peanuts_ means the seeds of the legume _Arachis hypogaea_ and includes both inshell and shelled peanuts produced in the United States or imported from foreign countries, other than those in green form for consumption as boiled peanuts.

(a) _Farmers Stock._ “Farmers stock peanuts” means picked and threshed peanuts which have not been shelled, crushed, cleaned or otherwise changed (except for removal of foreign material, loose shelled kernels, and excess moisture) from the form in which customarily marketed by producers.

(b) _Segregation 1._ “Segregation 1 peanuts” means farmers stock peanuts with not more than 2.49 percent damaged kernels nor more than 1.00 percent concealed damage caused by rancidity, mold, or decay and which are free from visible _Aspergillus flavus_.

(c) _Segregation 2._ “Segregation 2 peanuts” means farmers stock peanuts with more than 2.49 percent damaged kernels or more than 1.00 percent concealed damage caused by rancidity, mold, or decay and which are free from visible _Aspergillus flavus_.

(d) _Segregation 3._ “Segregation 3 peanuts” means farmers stock peanuts with visible _Aspergillus flavus_.

§ 996.14 Person.

_Person_ means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, any other business unit or legal entity.

§ 996.15 Positive lot identification.

_Positive lot identification_ is a means, approved by the Inspection Service, of relating the inspection certificate to the lot covered so that there is no doubt that the peanuts in the lot are the same peanuts described on the inspection certificate.

§ 996.16 Producer.

_Producer_ means any person in the United States engaged in a proprietary capacity in the production of peanuts for market.

§ 996.17 Quota year.

_Quota year_ means the 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending December 31 of the same year for peanuts produced in Mexico and the 12-month period beginning April 1 and ending March 31 of the following year for Argentina and other countries, or other such periods as may be prescribed by the U.S. Customs Service.

§ 996.18 Secretary.

_Secretary_ means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or any officer, employee, or agent of the United States Department of Agriculture who is, or who may hereafter be authorized to act in the Secretary’s stead.

§ 996.19 Shelled peanuts.

_Shelled peanuts_ means the kernels or portions of kernels of peanuts after the shells are removed.

§ 996.20 USDA.

_USDA_ means the United States Department of Agriculture, including any officer, employee, service, program, or branch of the Department of Agriculture, or any other person acting as the Secretary’s agent or representative in connection with any provisions of this part.

§ 996.21 USDA laboratory.

_USDA laboratory_ means laboratories of the Science and Technology Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, which chemically analyze peanuts for aflatoxin content.

§ 996.22 USDA-approved laboratory.

_USDA-approved laboratory_ means laboratories approved by the Science and Technology Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, that chemically analyze peanuts for aflatoxin content.

QUALITY AND HANDLING STANDARDS

§ 996.30 Incoming quality standards.

(a) All farmers stock peanuts received or acquired by a handler shall be officially inspected by the Inspection