- 310.17 Inspection of mammary glands.
- 310.18 Contamination of carcasses, organs, or other parts.
- 310.19 Inspection of kidneys.
- 310.20 Saving of blood from livestock as an edible product.
- 310.21 Carcasses suspected of containing sulfa and antibiotic residues; sampling frequency; disposition of affected carcasses and parts.
- 310.22 Specified risk materials from cattle and their handling and disposition.
- 310.23 Identification of carcasses and parts of swine.
- 310.24 [Reserved]
- 310.25 Contamination with microorganisms; process control verification criteria and testing; pathogen reduction standards.
- 310.26 Establishment responsibilities under the new swine slaughter inspection system.
- 310.27 Attestation requirements.
- 310.28 Severability.

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# § 310.1 Extent and time of post-mortem inspection; post-mortem inspection staffing standards.

- (a) A careful post-mortem examination and inspection shall be made of the carcasses and parts thereof of all livestock slaughtered at official establishments. Such inspection and examination shall be made at the time of slaughter unless, because of unusual circumstances, prior arrangements acceptable to the Administrator have been made in specific cases by the circuit supervisor for making such inspection and examination at a later time.
- (b)(1) The staffing standards on the basis of the number of carcasses to be inspected per hour are outlined in the following tables. Standards for multiple inspector lines are based on inspectors rotating through the different types of inspection stations during each shift to equalize the workload. The inspector in charge shall have the authority to require the establishment to reduce slaughter line speeds where, in his judgment, the inspection procedure cannot be adequately performed at the current line speed because of particular deficiencies in carcass preparation and presentation by the plant at the higher speed, or because the health condition of the particular ani-

- mals indicates a need for more extensive inspection.
- (2) Cattle inspection. For all cattle staffing standards, an "a" in the "Number of Inspectors by Stations" column means that one inspector performs the entire inspection procedure and a "b" means that one inspector performs the head and lower carcass inspection and a second inspector performs the viscera and upper carcass inspection. 1
- (i) Inspection Using the Viscera Truck.

#### STEERS AND HEIFERS

Maximum slaughter rates (head per		er of inspe y stations	ctors
hour)	Head	Viscera	Car- cass
1 to 27 28 to 56 57 to 84 85 to 86	a b 1 1 2	a b 1 2 2	a b 1 1

#### COWS AND BULLS

Maximum slaughter rates (head per		er of inspe y stations	ctors
hour)	Head	Viscera	Car- cass
1 to 27	a b 1 1 2	a b 1 2 2	a b 1 1

(A) Rules for determining adjusted maximum slaughter rates for single-inspector kills considering walking distance according to the table in this subdivision: Determine the distances the inspector actually walks between the points shown in columns 2 through 14 of the following table. For each column, determine the deduction figure opposite the appropriate number of feet in column 1. Compute the total of the deduction figures for columns 2

¹The "Maximum Slaughter Rates" figures listed in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section for one (a) and two (b) inspector kills are overstated because the time required to walk from one inspection station to another is not included. To determine the proper adjusted maximum slaughter line speed, paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A) of this section for one inspector kills or paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B) of this section for two inspector kills must be used along with their accompanying rules.

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through 14. The adjusted maximum rate is the maximum rate in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section minus total of the deduction figures. If the resultant

number is not a whole number, it must be rounded off to the next lowest whole number.

ONE-INSPECTOR CATTLE KILL—VISCERA TRUCK [Table of deductions from maximum slaughter rates for each 2 feet between points (in tenths of cattle per hour)]

	t and rands	Cows Bulls	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	14 Viscera and tags—brands	Strs. Hfrs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
		Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	13 Head rack and wash-	Strs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	basin h rail 1	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
[2	12 Washbasin and high rail 1	Strs. Hfrs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
er hou	rack	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
cattle	Head rack and closest	Strs. Hfrs.	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
nths of	10 Low rail and high rail	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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i.A TRu	a and rail	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
ISCEF betwee	9 Viscera and high rail	Strs. Hfrs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
ONE-INSPECTOR CATTLE KILL—VISCERA TRUCK  Table of deductions from maximum slaughter rates for each 2 feet between points (in tenths of oattle per hour)	a and	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
'LE ∕Z or each	8 Viscera and washbasin	Strs. Hfrs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
CAT7	brands w rail	Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
CTOR	7 Tags—brands and low rail	Strs. Frs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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ONE-	6 Carcass <sup>2</sup> and washbasin	Strs. Hfrs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
s from		Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
aductio	5 Head rack and carcass <sup>2</sup>	Strs. Hfrs.	\$ 899
le of de		Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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			0
	3 Viscera and Iow rail	Strs.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
		Cows	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	2 Head rack and high rail	Strs.	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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(B) Rules for determining adjusted maximum slaughter rates for two-inspector kills considering walking distance according to the table in this subdivision: Determine the distances the inspectors actually walk between the points shown in columns 2 through 9 of the following table. Column 9 is used only if the condemned brands and tags the viscera inspector uses are kept at a location other than at the wash-basin-sterilizer. For each column, de-

termine the deduction figure opposite the appropriate number of feet in column 1. Compute the total of the deduction figures for columns 2 through 9. Divide this total by 2. The adjusted maximum rate is the maximum rate in paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section minus the number calculated above. If the resultant number is not a whole number, it must be rounded off to the next *lowest* whole number.

TWO-INSPECTOR CATTLE KILL—VISCERA TRUCK [Table of deductions from maximum slaughter rates for each 2 feet between points (in tenths of cattle per hour)]

			a and wash- basin	Cows Bulls	0	0.2	0.0	0.5	9.0	0.8	6. 6. 6.	5 4	<del>L</del> .	4. 4	1.7	1.8	5.0	- 6.	2.4	2.5	5.6	9 6	3.0	3.1	დ. ი დ. ∠	0 60 4 10	3.6	3.8
		91	Viscera and basir	Strs. Hrs.	0	0.1	0.0	0.0	4.0	0.5	9.0	0.7	0.8	D C	5. 0.	Ξ		. t.	4.	1.5	 	5. 1.	1.8	8. 6	6.0	0.0	2:1	2.2
	ion		ail and wash- basin	Cows Bulls	0	0	0.0	0.5	9.0	0.7	6.0 6.0	5 7.	6.7	4. 4.	1.7	1.8	5.0	- 0	2.4	2.5	9.6	9 6	3.0	3.5		, w	3.7	3.8
[(ino	and high rail inspection	8	High rail ar bas	Strs. Hrs.	0	0	0.1	0.0	0.5	9.0	0.7	6.0	1.0	Zi 6	5 4.	1.5	9. 1	- ~	6.1	2.0	2. 0	2 2 4 2	2.5	2.6	2.7	0 0	3.0	3.1
TWO-INSPECTOR CATTLE KILL—VISCERA TRUCK [Table of deductions from maximum slaughter rates for each 2 feet between points (in tenths of cattle per hour)]	ra and high		a and high rail	Cows Bulls	0	0	0.5	1.3	1.8	2.2	2.6	3.4	3.7	L.4 A	t 4 0 6	5.2	5.6	D (C)	9.9	6.9	7.2	6.7	8.2	8.5	80. 4	- 7	9.7	6.6
K n tenths of	Viscera	7	Viscera a	Strs. Hfrs.	0	0	0.5	5. 75.	1.9	2.4	2.9	3.7	4.2	9.4 0.0	5.5	5.8	6.2	0 0	7.3	7.6	8.0	8.7	9.0	9.4	9.7	0.01	10.6	10.9
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TWO-INSPECTOR CATTLE KILL—VISCERA TRUCK maximum slaughter rates for each 2 feet between points (in		9	Viscera and brands tags (washbasin)	Strs. Hfrs.	0	•	4.0	÷ ←													5.0	6.4	6.7	6.9	7.2	7.7	7.9	8.2
TTLE KIL		5	s and low	Cows	0	0	0.7	2.0	2.7	3.3	9.8	5.1	5.7	φ (γ) (γ)	7.4	7.9	8.5	) () ()	10.0	10.5	1.0	1.0	12.4	12.8	13.3	15.7	14.6	15.0
CTOR CA		۵,	Head rack rail	Strs. Hrs.	0	0	0.8	2.2	2.8	3.5	t.4 L.0	5.4	6.0	9.9	7.8	8.3	80.0	4.0	10.5	11.0	1.5	12.5	13.0	13.4	13.9	4. 4.	15.2	15.7
VO-INSPE			n and low ii	Cows Bulls	0	0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	6.0	1.0	1.0	0. +	= =	1.2	1.2
TV	rail inspection	4	Washbasin a	Strs. Hfrs.	0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	S.O. C	0.0	0.4	4.0	4.0	0.5	0.5	9.0	9:0	9.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	
of deductic			rack and car- casses <sup>2</sup>	Cows Bulls	0	0	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.0	9.0	0.7	\ 0 0 0	0.8	0.9	6.0	1.0	1.0	Ξ:	- 0	, L	i ε:	6.
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			ick and pasin	Cows	0	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	4.0	0.0	9.0	7.0	0.8	0.9	6.0		7	1.2	2. 2	. <del>L</del>	4.1	7.5	9. 6	0. 1-	1.7	1.8
		2	Head rack a washbasir	Strs. Hfrs.	0	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.0	4.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	9.0	9.0	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	8.0	. o	6.0	-
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 $^{1}\,\mathrm{This}$  column to be used only if brands and tags are not located at the washbasin.  $^{2}\,\mathrm{This}$  refers to the carcasses in the bleeding area.

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(ii) Inspection Using Viscera Table, Tongue-In Presentation of Heads.

#### STEERS AND HEIFERS

Maximum slaughter rates (head per		er of inspe y stations	ctors
hour)	Head		Car- cass
1 to 32	а	а	а
33 to 58	b	b	b
59 to 84	1	1	1
85 to 86	1	2	1
87 to 143	2	2	1
144 to 171	3	2	1
172 to 198	3	3	1
199 to 226	3	3	2
227 to 253	4	3	2
254 to 280	4	4	2
281 to 306	5	4	2
307 to 333	5	5	2

#### Cows and Bulls

Maximum slaughter rates (head per	Number of inspectors by stations							
hour)	Head	Viscera	Car- cass					
1 to 29	а	а	а					
30 to 56	b	b	b					
57 to 77	1	1	1					
78 to 81	1	2	1					
82 to 134	2	2	1					
135 to 159	2	3	1					
160 to 187	3	3	1					
188 to 213	3	4	1					
214 to 234	3	4	2					
235 to 264	4	4	2					
265 to 289	5	4	2					
290 to 314	5	5	2					

(iii) Inspection Using Viscera Table, Tongue-Out Presentation of Heads.

# STEERS AND HEIFERS

Maximum slaughter rates (head per		er of inspe y stations	
hour)	Head	Viscera	Car- cass
1 to 32	а	а	a
33 to 58	b	b	b
59 to 86	1	1	1
87 to 103	1	2	1
104 to 156	2	2	1
157 to 186	2	3	1
187 to 216	3	3	1
217 to 246	3	3	2
247 to 275	3	4	2
276 to 304	4	4	2
305 to 333	4	5	2
334 to 362	5	5	2
363 to 390	5	6	2

#### COWS AND BULLS

Maximum slaughter rates (head per		er of inspe y stations	ctors
hour)	Head	Viscera	Car- cass
1 to 29	а	а	а
30 to 56	b	b	b
57 to 79	1	1	1
80 to 98	1	2	1
99 to 147	2	2	1
148 to 174	2	3	1
175 to 205	3	3	1
206 to 233	3	4	1
234 to 256	3	4	2
257 to 288	4	4	2
289 to 316	5	4	2
317 to 343	5	5	2

(3) Swine inspection. There are two systems of post-mortem inspection: The New Swine Slaughter Inspection System (NSIS), which may be used for market hogs, and the traditional inspection system, which may be used for all swine.

(i) The NSIS may be used for market hogs if the official establishment requests to use it and meets or agrees to meet the requirements in 9 CFR 309.19 and §310.26. The Administrator may permit establishments that slaughter classes of swine other than market hogs to use NSIS under a waiver from the provisions in 9 CFR 309.19 and §310.26 as provided by 9 CFR 303.1(h). The Administrator also may permit establishments that slaughter both market hogs and other classes of swine to slaughter the market hogs under NSIS and slaughter the other classes of swine under traditional inspection.

(ii) Traditional inspection shall be used for swine when NSIS is not used. The following inspection staffing standards are applicable to swine slaughter configurations operating under traditional inspection when NSIS is not used. The inspection standards for all slaughter lines are based upon the observation rather than palpation, at the viscera inspection station, of the spleen, liver, heart, lungs, and mediastinal lymph nodes. In addition, for one- and two-inspector lines under traditional inspection, the standards are based upon the distance walked (in feet) by the inspector between work stations; and for three or more inspector slaughter lines, upon the use of a mirror, as described in

307.2(m)(6) of this chapter, at the carcass inspection station. Although not required in a one- or two-inspector slaughter configuration, except in cer-

tain cases as determined by the inspection service, if a mirror is used, it must comply with the requirements of §307.2(m)(6).

TABLE 1 TO PARAGRAPH (B)(3)—ONE INSPECTOR—STAFFING STANDARDS FOR SWINE

	Maxi	imum inspection r	ates (head per ho	ur)
Distance walked <sup>1</sup> in feet is—	Marke (heads attache	t hogs d or detached)	Sows and (heads de	
	Without mirror	With mirror	Without mirror	With mirror
0 to 5	140	150	131	143
6 to 10	134	144	126	137
11 to 15	129	137	122	132
16 to 20	124	132	117	127
21 to 35	120	127	113	122
26 to 30	116	122	110	118
31 to 35	112	118	106	114
36 to 40	108	114	103	110
41 to 45	105	110	100	106
46 to 50	101	107	97	103
51 to 55	98	103	94	100
56 to 60	96	100	91	97
61 to 65	93	97	89	94
66 to 70	90	95	87	92
71 to 75	88	92	85	89
76 to 80	86	89	82	87
81 to 85	84	87	80	85
86 to 90	82	85	79	83
91 to 95	80	83	77	81
96 to 100	78	81	75	79

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Distance walked is the total distance that the inspector will have to walk between work stations during one inspection cycle (e.g., between viscera, carcass, head, and wash-basin).

TABLE 2 TO PARAGRAPH (B)(3)—TWO INSPECTORS—STAFFING STANDARDS FOR MARKET HOGS

	Maximum i (head per hour with ta					
Distance walked 1 in feet by inspector B is—	ı	ine configuration				
	Carcass, <sup>2</sup> head viscera <sup>3</sup>	Viscera,² head carcass³	Head,² viscera carcass³			
Without Mirror			_			
0 to 5	151–253	151–271	151–296			
6 to 10	151–239	151–255	151–277			
11 to 15	151–226	151–240	151–260			
16 to 20	151–214	151–227	151–244			
21 to 25	151–204	151–215	151–231			
With Mirror						
0 to 5	151–253	151–303	151–318			
6 to 10	151-239	151-283	151-304			
11 to 15	151–226	151–265	151–289			
16 to 20	151–214	151–249	151–270			
21 to 25	151–204	151–235	151–254			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Distance walked is the total distance that Inspector B will have to walk between work stations during one inspection cycle (e.g., between viscera, carcass, and washbasin).

<sup>2</sup>Inspector A.

Note 1 to Table 2 to paragraph (b)(3): In multiple-inspector plants, the inspectors must rotate between all inspection positions during each shift to equalize the workload.

TABLE 3 TO PARAGRAPH (B)(3)—TWO INSPECTORS—STAFFING STANDARDS FOR SOWS AND BOARS

		Maximum ins (head pe		
Distance well-seld in fact having a stan Dis		Line Conf	iguration	
Distance walked <sup>1</sup> in feet by inspector B is—	Carcass,² head viscera,³ heads de- tached	Viscera,² head carcass,³ heads de- tached	Head,² viscera carcass,³ heads de- tached	Head,² viscera carcass,³ heads at- tached
Wit	hout Mirror			
0 to 5	144-248 144-235 144-222 144-211 144-201	144-254 144-240 144-227 144-215 144-205	144-267 144-253 144-239 144-226 144-214	144–267 144–253 144–239 144–226 144–214
W	ith Mirror			
0 to 5	144-248 144-235 144-222 144-211 144-201	144-292 144-273 144-256 144-241 144-228	144–305 144–291 144–272 144–255 144–240	144–292 144–280 144–268 144–255 144–240

Distance walked is the total distance that Inspector B will have to walk between work stations during one inspection cycle

e.g., between viscera, carcass, and washbasin).

Alnspector A.

Inspector B.

Note 1 to table 3 to Paragraph (b)(3): In multiple-inspector plants, the inspectors must rotate between all inspection positions during each shift to equalize the workload.

TABLE 4 TO PARAGRAPH (B)(3)—THREE INSPECTORS OR MORE—STAFFING STANDARDS FOR SWINE

Maximum inspection rates	Number of inspectors by station										
(head per hour with heads attached)	Head	Viscera	Carcass	Total							
Market hogs:											
319 to 506	1	1	1	3							
507 to 540	1	2	1	4							
541 to 859	2	2	1	5							
860 to 1,022	2	3	1	6							
1,023 to 1,106	3	3	1	7							
Sows and boars:											
306 to 439	1	1	1	3							
306 to 462 <sup>1</sup>	1	1	1	3							
440 to 475	2	1	1	4							
476 to 752	2	2	1	5							
753 to 895	3	2	1	6							
896 to 964	3	3	1	7							

<sup>1</sup>This rate applies if the heads of sows and boars are *detached* from the carcasses at the time of inspection.

Note 1 to table 4 to paragraph (b)(3): In multiple-inspector plants, the inspectors must rotate between all inspection positions during each shift to equalize the workload.

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#### §310.2 Identification of carcass with certain severed parts thereof and with animal from which derived.

(a) The head, tail, tongue, thymus gland, and all viscera of each slaughtered animal, and all blood and other parts of such animal to be used in the preparation of meat food products or medical products, shall be handled in such a manner as to identify them with

the rest of the carcass and as being derived from the particular animal involved, until the post-mortem examination of the carcass and parts thereof has been completed. Such handling shall include the retention of ear tags, backtags, implants, and other identifying devices affixed to the animal, in such a way to relate them to the carcass until the post-mortem examination has been completed.

(b) The official State-Federal Department backtag on any carcass shall: