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This document provides general technical guidance for persons importing Fruits and Vegetables for what declaration information needs to be reported via the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE). It is not intended to cover all specific scenarios. Please refer to the APHIS Core Supplemental Guide to the CBP and Trade Automated Interface Requirements (CATAIR) for information on how to make electronic filings. The document is not an official statement of the Federal government and does not create any requirements; rather it explains what information to input in accordance with the CBP pilots for APHIS Core Fruits and Vegetables.

Fruits and Vegetables

- Commonly referred to by its category type code which is **AP0600**. This category type code is directly correlated to Fruits and Vegetables within APHIS Core. Other commodities would have different category type codes.

Fruit and Vegetable Definition

A commodity class for fresh parts of plants intended for consumption or processing and not for planting.

When transmitting an AP0600 - Fruits and Vegetables program, the PGA records that are utilized are:

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Commercial Description: The commercial description of the product. For example, Yellow Potatoes

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Government Agency Code: APH

Government Agency Program code for APHIS Core Fruits and Vegetable PGA Message Sets:

| Government Agency Program Code | Description |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| APQ | Plant Protection and Quarantine |

Government Agency Processing Code:

| Government Agency Processing Code | Description |
|--|--------------------------------|
| A01 | CBP Agriculture |
| A02 | APHIS Plant Inspection Station |
| A03 | APHIS Pre-Clearance |

Intended Use Code/Descriptions

The link to all intended use codes can be found in [Appendix R](#) on CBP's website

Product Code Qualifier/Number

Only one Product Code Number per product is allowed. Each Product Code Qualifier is required to have a corresponding product code number.

| Product Code Qualifier | Description |
|-------------------------------|--|
| AVB | Aphis Veterinary Biologics Product Code |
| GPC | Global Product Classification Brick Code |
| TSN | Taxonomic Serial Number |
| UNS | UN Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) Commodity Code |

UPC/GTIN Qualifier/Number

Only one UPC/GTIN Qualifier Code per product is allowed. Each Qualifier is required to have a corresponding number.

| Product Code Qualifier | Description |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| AI | Universal Product Code (UPC) |
| SRV | GS1 Global Trade Item Number (GTIN) |

Common Name

The description of the product. Example, Yellow Potatoes

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Category Type Code

This code is unique to each division of APHIS and is used to describe the reported item category. This code for fruits and vegetables will always be AP0600.

Category Code

The Category Code is a further break down of commodities into more specific categories which is based off of the Category Type.

| Category Code | Description |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 601 | Above Ground Parts |
| 602 | All Plant Parts |
| 603 | Below Ground Parts |

Commodity Qualifier Code

This code indicates the type of essential or distinctive attribute or quality of an item. This is a further breakdown based off of the Category Type and Category Code

| Commodity Qualifier Code | Description |
|---------------------------------|---|
| A61 | Physical State, Form, Arrangement or Mode |

Commodity Characteristic Qualifier

This specifies the type of characteristic for the item such as color, age or gender.

| Category Characteristic Qualifier | Description |
|--|--------------------|
| FRC | Fresh Chilled |
| FRF | Fresh Frozen |
| SHR | Shredded |

Genus/Species

The scientific genus and species of the merchandise is required for all Fruit and Vegetable shipments.

Specific Variety Name

This field is conditional based on admissibility guidelines, but will not reject if absent. If the variety name is available on the permit or phytosanitary, it is most likely needed by the inspector to process the shipment and should be included in the message set. Should the variety name be needed and not included, the inspector will request the information from the broker. For most fruits and vegetables, the variety name will not be

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needed because they are covered by the genus and species. A few do require variety (such as the Brassicas – broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, spinach).

Source Type Code/Country

Identifies what role the country had in harvesting or growing a product. The two letter ISO country code that the product was grown or harvested in should follow the source type code.

| Source Type Code | Description |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| HRV | Location Harvested |
| 262 | Place of Growth |

Geographic Location (if applicable)

This is the state or province if identified on the LPCO.

Processing Treatment Type code (if applicable)

The code identifying the method of processing used to make the product. This is a conditional field unless otherwise stated on the license, permit or certificate

Treatment Start/End Date (if applicable)

The treatment start and end date would only be applicable if a processing treatment type code was selected. The start date would be the date the harvesting vessel trip began. Some APHIS regulated commodities are processed (aka treated) in-route and do not complete processing by arrival and therefore Processing End Date can be left blank. If treatment occurs within 24 hours (of the same day), only the processing start date is required.

LPCO Type

Identifies the type of license, permit, certificate or other. This should correlate to the title of the APHIS document provided with the goods.

| LPCO Types | Description |
|-------------------|---|
| A01 | APHIS Phytosanitary certificate (Foreign) |
| A05 | Treatment Certificate |
| A07 | APHIS PPQ 203 |
| A08 | APHIS PPQ 505 |
| A09 | APHIS PPQ 525 |
| A10 | APHIS PPQ 526 |
| A11 | APHIS PPQ546 |
| A12 | APHIS PPQ585 |
| A13 | APHIS PPQ586 |
| A14 | APHIS PPQ587-8 |

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| A15 | APHIS PPQ587-15 |
| A16 | APHIS PPQ587-37 |
| A17 | APHIS PPQ587-41 |
| A18 | APHIS PPQ587-55 |
| A19 | APHIS PPQ587-56 |
| A20 | APHIS PPQ587-75 |
| A21 | APHIS PPQ587-37CAN |
| A22 | APHIS P588 |
| A23 | APHIS P621 |
| A27 | APHIS Seed Analysis Certificate |
| A33 | Certificate of Origin |

LPCO Number

ID number assigned to the LPCO's if applicable, otherwise the LPCO type and/or name of the form is applicable.

LPCO Geographic Code Qualifier

The code relating to the location of the issuer of the LPCO.

| Geographic Code Qualifier | Description |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| ISO | Country Code |
| EU | European Union |

LPCO Issuer Location

The two letter ISO country code associated with the location of the issuer of the LPCO

LPCO Issuer Location Description

This data element is for reporting the state or province (or equivalent)

LPCO Date Qualifier

The expiration date of the document, or the date it was issued/signed

| Date Qualifier | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Expiration Date |
| 3 | Date issued or signed |

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LPCO Date

Identifies the date of the LPCO in MMDDCCYY (month, day, century, and year) format.

LPCO Quantity/Unit of Measure (UOM)

The quantity and unit of measure if listed on the LPCO. APHIS related LPCO's sometimes indicate the maximum quantities an entity can import.

List of Entity Role codes applicable to APHIS Core Fruit and Vegetable Message Sets:

| Data Element | Code | Description |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| Entity Role Codes | CB | Customs Broker |
| | LAP | LPCO Authorized Party (Permit Holder) |
| | UC | Ultimate Consignee |

Entity Information:

Customs Broker (CB)

The customs broker would enter all pertinent information here. This would include the name, address, entity ID, entity number and contact information for the broker.

LPCO Authorized Party (LAP)

The LAP would be the APHIS permit holder of the cargo. Name and address is required to be submitted. No additional contact information is required for this party.

Ultimate Consignee (UC)

The ultimate consignee contact information would be entered here. This would include the name, address, entity ID, entity number and contact information for the ultimate consignee.

Line Value

The value associated with the PGA line number in whole dollars.

Container Number

The container number(s), length of each, and whether reefer or not.

Inspection Status

Status code "A" or "P" is mandatory for all shipments and will be used to determine testing status.

| Date Qualifier | Description |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
|-----------------------|--------------------|

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| A | Anticipated Arrival Date |
| P | The Date Inspected Prior To Arrival |

Requested/Scheduled date of Inspection

This field should reflect the date the inspection has been scheduled for, or the date the shipment was previously inspected.

Inspection Arrival Location

This field is used to report valid CB port code as indicated on the APHIS permit or UN/LOCODE

Routing Type Code

This number is to identify where routing began into the U.S

| Date Qualifier | Description |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 198 | Where Routing to the U.S began |

Routing Type Country Code

The two letter ISO country code where routing began to the U.S

HTS Codes

| Tariff Flag Code | Tariff Flag Code Definition |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| AQ1 | Aphis Core data may be required |
| AQ2 | APHIS Core data Required |

Flags do not indicate the APHIS Core program

Disclaimer: Code declaring filing does not require a PGA Message Set.

Valid codes are:

A = product is not regulated by this agency

B = data is not required per agency guidance

Codes A and B are NOT allowed if the HTS is flagged as 'Must Be' provided.

Document Imaging System:

Information regarding LPCO's that are required to have an upload through DIS can be found in the Supplemental Trade Guide LPCO/DIS Correlation Table.

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Points of Contact

If you have technical questions about the content of this Supplemental Guide, please email APHIS at ACE.ITDS@usda.gov

APHIS Core Supplemental Information:

[APHIS-Core ACE PGA Message Set: Supplemental Trade Guide – Appendix APH-A](#)

[APHIS-Core ACE PGA Message Set Implementation Guide](#)

[ACE CATAIR Appendix PGA](#)

[Appendix B](#)

[ACE ABI CATAIR](#)

[PGA Error Code](#)

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