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# TABLE GRAPE LOSS ADJUSTMENT STANDARDS HANDBOOK

# **2021 and Succeeding Crop Years**

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#### **REASON FOR AMENDMENT**

Major changes have been highlighted. Three stars (\*\*\*) identify where information has been removed.

- 1. Subparagraph 23B Revised step 6 of the Immature Bunch Weight Appraisal to calculate for lugs per acre rather than tons per acre.
- 2. Subparagraph 23C Revised step 9 of the Mature Bunch Weight Appraisal to calculate for lugs per acre rather than tons per acre

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#### A. General Information (continued)

- (2) Use the Grape/Table Grape Appraisal Worksheet (hereafter referred to as the appraisal worksheet) to count and record the number of undamaged bunches from each sample. Include any bunches damaged by uninsurable causes.
- (3) Each grape sample consists of 5 vines. Determine the number of representative samples in accordance with exhibit 5.
- (4) The adjuster and the insured should agree on the vines selected as representative samples. If the adjuster and insured cannot agree on such samples, contact the AIP.

#### **B.** Immature Bunch Weight Appraisals

Follow the steps below to complete an Immature Bunch Weight appraisal. Record information on the appraisal worksheet.

Step	Action
1	Separately count the number of bunches in each sample and total number of
1	bunches from all samples.
2	Divide the results of step 1 by the number of samples. The result is the number
2	of bunches per sample.
3	Divide the results of step 2 by the number of vines per sample. The result is the
5	average number of bunches per vine.
4	Multiply the number of vines per acre by the result of step 3. The result is the
4	number of bunches per acre.
5	Multiply the result of step 4 by the average bunch weight. The result is the total
	pounds of grapes per acre.
	<b>Reminder</b> : Identify the source from which the average bunch weight was
	obtained in the Narrative.
6	Divide the result of step 5 by the Pounds per Lug for the area that the acreage is
	insured. The result is the lugs of grapes per acre appraisal.

## 23. Appraisal Methods (Continued)

## C. Mature Bunch Weight Appraisals

Follow the steps below to complete a Mature Bunch Weight appraisal. Record information on the appraisal worksheet.

Step	Action
1	For each sample, pick all the bunches and place in separate piles as follows.
	(a) Meet or would meet if properly handled the CDFA minimum standards for table grapes (herein referred to as "Meet Table Grape Standards"). Include any bunches damaged by uninsurable causes.
	(b) Do not meet Table Grape Standards.
	Reminder: Discard such bunches that do not "Meet Table Grape Standards."
2	For each sample, separately enter number of bunches that "Meet Table Grape Standards." Total the number of bunches from all samples.
3	Divide the results of step 2 by the number of samples. The result is the number of bunches per sample.
4	Divide the result of step 3 by the number of vines per sample. The result is the average number of bunches per vine.
5	Multiply the number of vines per acre by the result of step 4. The result is the average number of bunches per acre.
6	Pick 10 average-size bunches from each sample and weigh the 10 bunches together. Do not pick the smallest nor the largest bunches. Select average-size bunches that would be representative of all bunches in the sample.
	<b>Important:</b> If 10 representative bunches cannot be found in the sample, select as many representative bunches as needed from additional vines to obtain the required number of bunches.
7	<ul> <li>(a) Add the weight of bunches from step 6</li> <li>(b) Add the number of bunches from step 6</li> <li>(c) Divide the result of (a) by the result of (b). The result is the average bunch weight.</li> </ul>
8	Multiply the result of step 7(c) by the result of step 5. The result is the total pounds
	of grapes per acre.
9	Divide the result of step 8 by the Pounds per Lug for the area that the acreage is insured. The result is the lugs of grapes per acre appraisal.