**Agreement For Authority to Issue Certificates of Compliance**

Check One:  
- ☐ New Agreement  
- ☐ Renewal  
- ☐ Add/Remove Signatures

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**THIS AGREEMENT** will authorize the issuance of Certificates of Compliance for apples, apricots, asparagus, Italian prunes, peaches, pears, and sweet cherries being shipped or transported for the growing and shipping season beginning August 1, ____________ to August 31, ____________ of the following year.

Certificates of compliance must be on forms approved and issued by the director and will be issued only on the identified commodities under this agreement that are in full compliance with provisions of chapter 15.17 RCW, rules adopted under that chapter, and administrative directives of the director.

A certificate of compliance will be issued at the time of shipment only by WSDA trained industry personnel (see below).

See additional agreement terms on page 2 (reverse of paper agreement).

**IMPORTANT:** For paper/handwritten certificates, the white and green copies MUST be returned to the local F&V Inspection office within 24 hours of completion.

For renewals and new agreements, please list all names of all personnel authorized to issue Certificates of Compliance. After that, only add new names. All signatures will remain effective until the expiration date or until you notify WSDA that they are no longer authorized, and should be removed.

The person assigned the role of **MAIN CONTACT** should be someone with a vested interest in protecting the quality of operations at their business and in a position that has little turnover. **Only the MAIN CONTACT can renew agreements, receive email confirmations/notifications, and add and removed employees authorized to issue COC’s. If the person who is the MAIN CONTACT will also be creating COC’s, please remember to include that name in the list of Authorized Personnel below.**

**ADD PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE:**

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**NOTE:** If you have faxed the form; please mail original with signatures to the address at the top of this form. Keep a copy for your records.

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**PRINTED NAME OF MAIN INDUSTRY CONTACT**

**SIGNATURE OF MAIN INDUSTRY CONTACT**

Required training: The main industry contact is responsible that all authorized personnel have agreed to WSDA training and can attest to have taken training by checking one or more of the option boxes below:

- ☐ WSDA On-line Tutorial Training completed  
- ☐ All Facility COC Personnel Have Previously Taken WSDA Training  
- ☐ WSDA Live Training  
- ☐ WSDA Training provided by experienced industry personnel

**FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

Region: ______________________  
☐ New Agreement  
☐ Renewal  
☐ Adds/Removes Signatures

This authority expires ____________  
Dated this ________ day of _____________________, 20________

By: ______________________  
F&V Program Administrator  
Commodity Inspection Division  

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE  
State of Washington
Agreement for Authority to Issue Certificates of Compliance

This agreement will authorize the issuance of Certificates of Compliance for apples, apricots, asparagus, Italian prunes, peaches, pears, or sweet cherries being shipped or transported for the growing and shipping season.

Additional terms of this agreement:

The Director of the Washington State Department of Agriculture issues THIS AGREEMENT as a privilege. The benefit to an applicant is the facilitation of an orderly, efficient and timely movement of regulated products. Absent this agreement, an applicant would be required by chapter 15.17 RCW to obtain WSDA inspection service for approval of individual shipping permits on regulated products. Such service is dependent on availability of WSDA personnel.

Certificates of compliance issued on controlled atmosphere (CA) commodities must be in full compliance with WAC 16-450. CA certified commodities must have a statement on the certificate of compliance that indicates the commodity meets the two-week shipping requirement.

All commodities that have been certified and assigned a State or Federal lot number must have this number shown on the certificate of compliance.

Commodities found during the course of inspection to be in non-compliance with State or Federal regulations must be corrected prior to shipment. The applicant or their representative will acknowledge non-compliant commodities with a signature on form AGR 6072 Off Grade/Condition Report.

The applicant must grant the director the right of entry to its facilities as provided under RCW 15.17.190 and the right to request and obtain a yearly total hundredweight (CWT) report to verify the volume of commodities shipped for all certificates of compliance issued by the applicant.

Commodities under this agreement that are in storage or loading areas will be made accessible for inspection by the director.

A person who violates the provisions of chapter 15.17 RCW or chapter 16-461 WAC may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount of not more than one thousand dollars and a suspension of this agreement for not more than twelve calendar months for each violation.

The Washington State Department of Agriculture will respond to request for inspection service in the following sequence:

1) Export certification;
2) Marketing order, Controlled Atmosphere certification (Federal-State (or) State certification);
3) Soluble solids and starch-iodine testing prior to the corresponding apple variety release date;
4) Voluntary certification Federal-State (or) State certification;
5) Quality control inspection at time of packing, loading or from storage (State inspection).

By issuing the certificate of compliance, the Washington State Department of Agriculture does not guarantee the quality and/or quantity of fruits and vegetables certified. The applicant has the sole responsibility to fairly and accurately represent the quality and quantity of fruits and vegetables to prospective buyers.

The applicant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the Washington State Department of Agriculture harmless against any damage claims, lawsuits, economic and/or personal injury claims relating to the quality and/or quantity of fruits and/or vegetables which are the subject of this agreement. This indemnification clause includes but is not limited to claims of sole and/or concurrent negligent inspection and/or certification by the Washington State Department of Agriculture.