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be allowed for shrinkage while the cottonseed is in storage, such shrinkage to include loss caused by natural drying out of the cottonseed, but in no event shall the total amount of shrinkage exceed 5 percent of the weight of the cottonseed at the time it entered storage. In case no agreement as to shrinkage has been made, the difference in the moisture content of the cottonseed at the beginning of the storage period and at the time of delivery shall form a basis for calculating shrinkage.

§ 742.31 Care of cottonseed in storage.

Each warehouseman shall at all times exercise such care in regard to cottonseed in his custody as a reasonably careful owner would exercise under the same circumstances and conditions. He shall also equip his warehouse with thermometers to determine the temperature of the cottonseed while in storage and shall make readings of the thermometers with such frequency as the Administrator or his representatives may direct, and permanently record the same, but in no event shall such readings be made less frequently than every third working day. If the cottonseed attains a temperature of 110° F. the warehouseman shall immediately take such action as is necessary to lower the temperature. If the depositor of the cottonseed or any other person to whom he may have transferred title or interest in the cottonseed desires to make temperature determinations he shall be permitted to do so in company with the warehouseman or the warehouseman's representative.

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§ 742.32 Care of nonlicensed cottonseed, or other commodities.

If, at any time, a warehouseman shall handle or store cottonseed otherwise than as a licensed warehouseman, or shall handle or store any other commodity, he shall so protect the same, and otherwise exercise such care with respect to it, as not to endanger the cottonseed in his custody as a licensed warehouseman or impair his ability to

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meet his obligations and perform his duties under the act and the regulations in this part.

§ 742.33 Records to be kept in safe place.

Each warehouseman shall provide a metal fireproof safe, a fireproof vault or a fireproof compartment in which he shall keep, when not in actual use, all records, books, and papers pertaining to the licensed warehouse, including his current receipt book, copies of receipts issued and canceled receipts, except that with the written consent of the Administrator, or his representative, upon a showing by such warehouseman that it is not practicable to provide such fireproof safe, vault, or compartment, he may keep such records, books, and papers in some other place of safety, approved by the Administrator or his representative. Each canceled receipt shall be retained by the warehouseman for a period of six years after December 31 of the year in which the receipt is canceled and for such longer period as may be necessary for the purposes of any litigation which the warehouseman knows to be pending, or as may be required by the Administrator in particular cases to carry out the purposes of the act. Canceled receipts shall be arranged by the warehouseman in numerical order and otherwise in such manner as shall be directed, for purposes of audit, by authorized officers or agents of the Department of Agriculture.

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§ 742.34 Warehouse charges.

A warehouseman shall not make any unreasonable or exorbitant charge for services rendered. Before a license to conduct a warehouse is granted under the act the warehouseman shall file with the Administrator a copy of his rules and a schedule of charges to be made by him if licensed. Before making any change in such rules or schedule of charges he shall file with the Administrator a statement in writing showing the proposed change and the reasons