

**Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA**

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distribution, stocks, and other information necessary to administer sugar programs.

(b) Any processor must, upon CCC's request, provide such information as CCC deems appropriate for determining regional loan rates.

(c) Any processor must, upon CCC's request, provide such information as CCC deems appropriate for determining whether processors of sugarcane or sugar beets will be able to market their respective sugar allocations.

(d) Each sugarcane producer located in Louisiana shall report, in the manner CCC prescribes, sugarcane yields and sugarcane planted acres.

(e) Importers of sugars, syrups, or molasses to be used for domestic human consumption or to be used for the extraction of sugar for domestic human consumption shall report, in the manner CCC prescribes, the quantities of the products imported and the sugar content or equivalent of the products. This requirement shall not apply to sugars, syrups, or molasses within the quantities of tariff-rate quotas subject to the lower rate of duties.

(f) Based on the information received under this subsection, the Secretary shall publish on a monthly basis composite data on sugar production, imports, distribution, and stock levels.

(g) The sugar information reporting and recordkeeping requirements of this subpart are administered under the general supervision of the Executive Vice President, CCC.

**§ 1435.201 Civil penalties.**

(a) Any processor, refiner, or importer of sugar, syrup, and molasses who willfully fails or refuses to furnish the information, or who willfully furnishes false data required under § 1435.200, is subject to a civil penalty of no more than \$10,000 for each such violation.

(b) The Controller, CCC, shall assess civil penalties and interest.

(c) Affected processors, refiners, and importers of sugar, syrup, and molasses may request reconsideration of civil penalties by filing a request, within 30 days of receipt of certified written notification from the Controller, CCC, of such assessment of civil penalties, with

the Executive Vice President, CCC, Stop 0501, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-0501.

(d) After reconsideration, affected processors, refiners, or importers of sugar, syrup, and molasses may appeal civil penalties by filing a notice of appeal, within 30 calendar days of receipt of certified written notification from the Executive Vice President, CCC, of an affirmation of the assessment of civil penalties, with the National Appeals Division under part 780 of this title.

**Subpart D—Flexible Marketing Allotments For Sugar**

**§ 1435.300 Applicability.**

(a) This subpart applies to the establishment and allocation of marketing allotments for:

(1) Processor marketings of sugar domestically processed from sugar beets,

(2) Processor marketings of sugar processed from domestically produced sugarcane,

(3) Distribution of a processor's allocation to producers in proportionate share States, and

(4) Harvesting sugarcane by producers subject to proportionate shares.

(b) This subpart does not apply to:

(1) Marketing sugar for non-domestic or nonhuman consumption,

(2) Marketing imported raw or refined sugar,

(3) Exportation of sugar from the United States customs territory.

(c) This subpart applies throughout the United States and Puerto Rico.

**§ 1435.301 Annual estimates and quarterly re-estimates.**

(a) Not later than August 1 before the beginning of the crop year, CCC will estimate, and make re-estimates as necessary but not later than the beginning of each quarter of such crop year, the:

(1) Quantity of sugar that will be consumed in the United States (other than sugar imported for the production of polyhydric alcohol or to be refined and re-exported in refined form or in sugar-containing products);

(2) Quantity of sugar that will provide for reasonable carryover stocks;

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(3) Quantity of sugar that will be available for consumption from carry-in stocks;

(4) Quantity of sugar that will be available for consumption from domestic processing of sugarcane and sugar beets; and

(5) Quantity of sugars, syrups, and molasses that will be imported for human consumption or for the extraction of sugar for human consumption in the United States and Puerto Rico (other than sugar imported for the production of polyhydric alcohol or to be refined and re-exported in refined form or in sugar-containing products), whether such articles are included in a tariff-rate quota or not.

(b) Calculation of all allotments, allocations, estimates, and re-estimates in this subpart will use available USDA statistics and estimates of production, consumption, and stocks, taking into account, where appropriate, data supplied in reports submitted pursuant to the reporting requirements set forth in § 1435.200.

**§ 1435.302 Establishment and suspension of allotments.**

(a) By the beginning of the crop year, CCC will establish the overall allotment quantity, beet sugar and cane sugar allotments, State cane sugar allotments, and allocations for processors marketing sugar domestically processed from sugar beets and domestically produced sugarcane at a level estimated to result in no sugar loan collateral forfeitures to CCC.

(b) Marketing allotments will be suspended whenever CCC determines that imports of sugars, syrups, and molasses for domestic human consumption or to be used for the extraction of sugar for domestic human consumption, whether under a tariff-rate quota or not, will exceed 1,532,000 short tons, raw value, excluding any imports attributable to a reassignment of allotments, and that the imports would lead to a reduction in the overall allotment quantity. The suspension of marketing allotments will be lifted if CCC subsequently determines that imports are estimated to be no higher than 1,532,000 short tons, raw value.

(c) Each determination under this section to establish or suspend mar-

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keting allotments will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and accompanied by a statement of the reasons for the determination.

**§ 1435.303 Overall allotment quantity.**

The overall allotment quantity for the crop year will be calculated by deducting from the sum of estimated sugar consumption and reasonable carryover stocks:

- (a) 1,532,000 short tons, raw value; and
- (b) Carry-in stocks.

**§ 1435.304 Adjustment of the overall allotment quantity.**

(a) The overall allotment quantity will be adjusted, as CCC determines appropriate,

(1) To avoid forfeiture of sugar loan collateral to CCC, and

(2) To reflect changes in estimated consumption, stocks, production, or imports based on re-estimates under § 1435.301.

(b) Each determination to adjust the overall allotment quantity will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and accompanied by a statement of the reasons for the determination.

(c) The beet sugar allotment, cane sugar allotment, State cane sugar allotments, proportionate shares, and allocations to each sugar beet processor and sugarcane processor will be increased or decreased, as appropriate, to reflect an overall allotment quantity adjustment.

(d) If the overall allotment quantity is reduced under paragraph (a) of this section and the quantity of sugar and sugar products any individual processor marketed by the time of the reduction exceeds the processor's reduced allocation, the quantity of excess sugar or sugar products marketed will be deducted from the processor's allocation under an allotment next established.

**§ 1435.305 Beet and cane sugar allotments.**

(a) The allotment for beet sugar will be 54.35 percent of the overall allotment quantity.

(b) The allotment for cane sugar will be 45.65 percent of the overall allotment quantity.

(c) A sugar beet processor allocated a share of the beet sugar allotment may