

GRADE A MILK LAW OF 2001 (EXCERPT)
Act 266 of 2001

288.531 Bulk milk hauler/sampler; requirements for picking up milk; measurement; pickup record; information; copies; responsibility of driver for official samples.

Sec. 61.

(1) A bulk milk hauler/sampler shall not take milk from a farm tank without first determining that the farmer has a valid permit. Milk shall be picked up from only an approved farm tank, constructed to sanitary standards with agitation and cooling except as approved in writing by the director on a case-by-case basis.

(2) A bulk milk hauler/sampler shall pick up only milk that appears to be normal and does not contain off odors or visible foreign material and that has been stored on the farm for no more than 72 hours, except that milk produced under the manufacturing milk law of 2001 may be stored as provided under that act. Goat milk may be stored up to 7 days in a farm tank if properly cooled. Sheep milk may be frozen for storage.

(3) A bulk milk hauler/sampler shall not record or report inaccurately a milk measurement taken in the farm tank. A measurement shall be made with a measuring gauge that is clean and wiped dry with a sanitary towel or by any other measuring method meeting the requirements of section 65(3).

(4) After measuring the milk in the farm tank, the bulk milk hauler/sampler shall promptly, accurately, and legibly record the following information on the pickup record:

(a) The gauge or stick reading.

(b) The converted gauge or stick reading in pounds.

(c) The date and time of pickup.

(d) The milk producer's name and permit number.

(e) The temperature of the milk from an accurate thermometer.

(f) The bulk milk hauler/sampler's permit identification, which is the first and last name, or the hauler/sampler's identification number printed on the license.

(g) The assigned "bulk tank unit" (BTU) number.

(5) A bulk milk hauler/sampler shall provide the original copy of the pickup record to the milk buyer and a duplicate copy, or other record acceptable to the director, to the producer.

(6) A milk tank truck driver engaged in direct farm pickup has direct responsibility for accompanying official samples.

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