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## GPC WEIGH OFF - Visual Inspection Rules

The GPC currently has regulations governing foreign substances and chemical residue. It is your weigh-off site and grower responsibility to enforce all GPC regulations to ensure the safety of all concerned at the event. Sites can turn away or disqualify entries as called for with the full backing of the GPC if the weigh off rules are not adhered to. Judges decisions are considered to be final, however the GPC reserves the right to make changes based upon rule violations.

**Sites not adhering to GPC Rules should expect GPC intervention and maybe subject to loss of their GPC sanctioning upon multiple violations.**

**MUST DO Guidelines for visual inspections and display:**

**Visual Inspection Prior to unloading must occur.**

### Examination Criterias

1. All entries must be clean and free of foreign substance or chemical residue.
2. All entries must be uncovered and accessible when brought to the offloading or staging area and then remain uncovered for public viewing.
3. All entries will be visually examined PRIOR to offloading by a judge or designated person acting under the direction and on behalf of the site coordinator.
4. All entries found to have chemical residue will not be offloaded. This rule pertains to all classes.
5. If residue is discovered, the grower will be turned away or directed to a wash station.
  - a. Upon completion of cleaning the grower may return to the offloading or staging location to be re-inspected prior to offloading.
  - b. Upon Approval, the entry may then be offloaded, as long as all other site requirements have been met.
6. If reinspection results in disqualification the grower has the right to call for a judgement by the full team of site judges and coordinator.
7. When the entries are offloaded, the control shifts to the site coordinator.
8. A more thorough exam will then be performed by the site judges for any disqualifying factors.
9. **No shade coverings for wetting of the entry will be allowed once offloaded.**
10. Sites may allow water jugs to stay on until the fruit moves to the scale. However, the water jugs are to be removed when the stem is cut to meet weigh off requirements.

This check list should be provided to and understood by all site judges and weigh off coordinators.

For a complete listing off all weigh off rules please see the Weigh Off Hand Book and Site Rules at <https://gpc1.org>

**GROW BIG** and have a Wonderful time at your weigh off

Your GPC Committee