

# COMMUNIQUÉ CANADAGAP® COMMUNIQUÉ

**To:** CanadaGAP Stakeholders  
**Date:** April 1, 2021  
**Subject:** Reminder – Changes to CanadaGAP Program Take Effect April 1<sup>st</sup>

We are writing to remind you that April 1<sup>st</sup> is the effective date for changes to the program for 2021.

## **Updates to CanadaGAP Manuals Take Effect April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Two previous communiques announced the publication of Version 9.0 of the CanadaGAP Manuals, and provided tips on updating your manual for 2021. See the communiques at:

<https://www.canadagap.ca/publications/communiques/>

To download the manuals, go to: [www.canadagap.ca/manuals/downloads/](http://www.canadagap.ca/manuals/downloads/).

In addition to the document “*Outline of Main Changes to CanadaGAP Manuals for 2021 (Version 9.0)*” published on the website, a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the changes can also be downloaded at: <http://www.canadagap.ca/publications/presentations/>.

***Use these materials to help speed up the task of updating your manuals for 2021!***

## **CanadaGAP Audit Checklist - Release of Version 9.0**

Version 9.0 of the CanadaGAP Audit Checklist for 2021 comes into effect **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021** and can be accessed on the CanadaGAP website at [www.canadagap.ca/audit-checklist/](http://www.canadagap.ca/audit-checklist/).

## **Reminder of Significant Program Changes for 2021**

The CanadaGAP Program Management Manual contains further details about the significant change in 2021 to the audit passing score for CanadaGAP program participants who are certified to a GFSI-recognized option. These certification options include:

- Option B (Group Certification)
- Option C (Annual Audit)
- Option D for Repacking and Wholesaling

Starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, those requiring GFSI-recognized certificates must comply 100% with the audit checklist requirements. During the audit if full points have not been awarded for a requirement, corrective actions will need to be taken before certification can be granted. For more information, please refer to:

- [CanadaGAP communique dated February 25, 2021](#)
- PowerPoint presentation on CanadaGAP website: “[CanadaGAP Program Changes for 2021](#)”
- “[Corrective Actions](#)” page on the CanadaGAP website.

If you have any questions, visit our [website](#) or contact the CanadaGAP office by calling 613-829-4711 or emailing [info@canadagap.ca](mailto:info@canadagap.ca).

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