

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

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Subject: Updated Frequently Asked Questions available on the CanadaGAP Website

The CanadaGAP Program is pleased to announce that the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the CanadaGAP website have been updated to reflect Version 9.0 of the CanadaGAP manuals and other important changes to the CanadaGAP program effective April 1, 2021.

We invite you to use the FAQs as a primary resource to answer specific questions, as well as to obtain an overview of common questions for all program participants, auditors and other interested parties.

Did You Know?

The <u>Frequently-Asked Questions</u> (FAQ) section can assist operations seeking to implement CanadaGAP requirements. There are FAQs related to water testing, personal hygiene facilities, agricultural chemicals, packaging materials and more. By consulting a relevant FAQ, participants can get clarification on program requirements, increase understanding of auditor expectations and improve audit results.

Below are direct links to some of the most frequently visited pages:

- Section 6: Agricultural Chemicals
- Section 11: Personal Hygiene Facilities
- Section 15: Water (for Fluming and Cleaning)
- Section 17: Packaging Materials

The FAQ section also contains general information about program scope, certification options, the audit process (including scheduling), the audit checklist, etc. Additional FAQs regarding corrective actions and failed audits have been added to help operations with the changes implemented April 1, 2021.

To suggest a topic for a new FAQ or resource, contact the CanadaGAP office by calling 613-829-4711 or by emailing info@canadagap.ca.

Additional Resources

In addition to the FAQs, the CanadaGAP website contains many useful resources for program participants, auditors, and other stakeholders including ongoing training notes, brochures and presentations, printable resources (including handwashing signs), relevant food safety links, etc.

CanadaGAP® is a program developed in Canada to promote Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) for fruit and vegetable suppliers.

