

To: CanadaGAP Stakeholders

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Subject: CanadaGAP Food Safety Manuals updated for 2017

Updated versions of the CanadaGAP Food Safety Manuals have now been released.

- 1) Fruit and Vegetable Manual, Version 7.0
- 2) Greenhouse Manual, Version 7.0

For certification purposes, the new manuals take effect on <u>April 1, 2017.</u> A corresponding update to the CanadaGAP audit checklist will be issued prior to that effective date.

Resources on the CanadaGAP website: To facilitate the transition to the updated manuals, the following resources can be found at: http://www.canadagap.ca/manuals/manual-downloads/.

- The updated manuals (free download)
- A document outlining the main changes to the manuals
- Revisions documents tracking the changes from previous versions of the manuals
- A document summarizing commodity-specific differences
- A chart outlining which sections of the manual are applicable to different types of operations (i.e., production, packing, storing, repacking, wholesaling, brokerage)

Updating your manual for 2017: Please watch for a more detailed communication in the coming week to help you with updating your manual.

HACCP Models: CanadaGAP maintains seven separate generic HACCP models, which are available upon request. This approach ensures that any issues or scientific developments affecting only certain crop groupings, commodities or processes will continue to be addressed with the appropriate technical rigour.

Questions? Please direct any questions to info@canadagap.ca

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