TO: All Holders of the Fish Products Inspection Manual

SUBJECT: Labelling and Weight Determination of Sliced Smoked Salmon

This bulletin is being issued to clarify previous correspondence on this subject dated October 20, 1989 and March 7, 1990.

1) Where the skin has been detached from the flesh of the product but is included in the package, the weight of the skin must be excluded from the net weight of the product.

2) Where the skin has been detached from the flesh of the product and is not included in the package, the net weight of the product shall be the total contents of the package.

3) Where the skin is still attached to the flesh of the product or is partially attached to maintain "kosher" requirements, the weight of the skin shall not be included in the net weight of the product unless the label indicates that the skin is included in the declared weight.

NOTE: The weight of the plastic dividers inserted between the smoked salmon slices shall be excluded from the declared weight of the product.

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