



Under normal conditions, feed manufacturers would be required to hold a commercial feed license to distribute human food products as animal feed as well as to properly label the food product in accordance with the PA Commercial Feed Act.

To help alleviate excess supply during the COVID-19 pandemic, we will authorize a temporary exemption to the licensing, labeling, and inspection fee provisions of the Act to allow farmers and food producers to distribute whole food products that are not mixed with other ingredients for animal feed, providing the grower or producer meets the following conditions:

1. The whole food is not ground or processed in a way that makes it unrecognizable.
2. The whole food is cleaned to remove growing media or other non-feed grade materials.
3. There are no safety concerns of the food for the intended species.
4. The grower/producer must maintain records for each distribution of whole food, including the type, the name & address of each customer, and the date of shipment and total quantity (in pounds/tons) shipped to each customer.
5. The grower/producer must provide the customer with a Bill of Sale and a document attesting to the requirements established in provisions 1 through 3 above for each shipment.
6. The grower/producer must provide a statement, with each shipment advising the customer to consult a nutritionist prior to feeding the material to his animals.

This exemption is only granted for the requirements established under §5103 (related to licensing), §5104 (related to labeling), and §5105 (related to inspection fees) of the Pennsylvania Commercial Feed Act (Act of December 12, 1994, P.L. 903, No. 131) (3 Pa.C.S.A. §5101 *et al*). All other provisions of the Act shall remain in effect.

**This temporary exemption is offered through June 30, 2020.**

**There is NOT a blanket licensing waiver for all surplus human food suppliers. Waiver requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.**

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