

Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition

Constituent Update

FDA Releases Compliance Guide for Small Businesses under FSMA Intentional Adulteration Rule

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Small Entity Compliance Guides (SECGs) are designed to help small businesses meet federal standards. They are among the resources that the FDA is providing to support compliance with the new FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) standards.

The FDA announced today the availability of an SECG to help small businesses comply with the Final Rule on Mitigation Strategies to Protect Food Against Intentional Adulteration (or Intentional Adulteration Rule), mandated by FSMA.

The SECG was prepared in accordance with the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act. It provides nonbinding recommendations on such topics as developing a food defense plan and records management.

The compliance date for small businesses under the Intentional Adulteration Rule is July 27, 2020. Very small businesses are exempt from the rule, except for a documentation requirement described in the SECG, which has a compliance date of July 26, 2021.

Please visit FDA.gov for more information about the FSMA rules and compliance dates.

Additional Information:

Final Rule on Mitigation Strategies to Protect Food Against Intentional Adulteration