

SHORT NAME	ACRONYM	U.S. CODE	C.F.R.	AGENCY ¹	PURPOSE OF ACT ²
ADMINISTRATIVE WAGE GARNISHMENT	AWG	31 U.S.C. § 3720D	7 C.F.R. §§ 3.40–3.47; 3.50–3.53; 3.60–3.62; 3.70–3.87 31 C.F.R. § 285.11	RD; AMS (formerly GIPSA)	To allow federal agencies to collect money from debtor’s disposable income via administrative wage garnishment in order to satisfy delinquent nontax debt owed to government.
SALARY OFFSET ACT	SOA	5 U.S.C. § 5514	5 C.F.R. §§ 550.1104, 550.1107 7 C.F.R. §§ 1951.101–1951.111	FSA	To provide for the use of salary, retirement, and IRS refunds to offset and to satisfy certain valid and past due debts owed the government.
AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PROMOTION ACT	ACPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 7411 <i>et seq.</i>	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. pts. 1200 <i>et seq.</i>	AMS	To provide for the maintenance and expansion of existing and new markets, both domestic and foreign, through USDA development, financing, and carrying out effective generic commodity promotion, research, informational programs that are individually evaluated for effectiveness.
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING ACT OF 1946	AMA	7 U.S.C. §§ 1621–1633	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 Rules of Practice Governing Withdrawal of Inspection and Grading Services: 7 C.F.R. pt. 50 Adjudicatory Proceedings Relating to the Denial or Withdrawal of Inspection, Certification, or Grading Service: 9 C.F.R. §§ 350.1–350.8 9 C.F.R. §§ 362.1–362.5	AMS	To provide for: (1) continuous research to improve the marketing, handling, storage, processing, transportation, and distribution of agricultural products; (2) cooperation among Federal and State agencies, producers, industry organizations, and others in the development and effectuation of research and marketing programs to improve the distribution processes; and (3) an integrated administration of all laws enacted by Congress to aid the distribution of agricultural products through research, market aids and services, and regulatory activities.
MARKETING AGREEMENTS AND ORDERS FOR RESEARCH AND PROMOTION AGRICULTURAL MARKETING AGREEMENT ACT	AMAA	7 U.S.C. §§ 601, 602, 608a– 608e, 610, 612, 614, 624, 627, 671–674	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130 1.151 Procedural Requirements Governing Proceedings to Formulate Marketing Agreements and Marketing Orders: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.1–900.18	AMS	To provide orderly and stable market conditions in a specific list of agriculture produce/products procedure for the development, financing, and carrying out an effective and continuous coordinated program of research and promotion designed to strengthen each commodity’s competitive position, and maintain and expand domestic and foreign markets and uses by the entering into marketing agreements or marketing orders between the USDA, producers, and handlers regarding price, grades, and quality.

¹ For a list of USDA agency acronyms, please refer to the final page of this document.

² Purpose summaries have generally been taken from the purpose clause of each act.

DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTION & GRADING SERVICES	I & G	7 U.S.C. § 1622(h)	Supplemental Procedural Requirements Governing Proceedings to Amend Federal Milk Marketing Agreements and Marketing Orders: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.20–900.33		
BEEF PROMOTION & RESEARCH ACT	BPRA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2901–2911			
COTTON RESEARCH & PROMOTION ACT	CRPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2101–2122	Supplemental Procedural Requirements Governing Proceedings to Amend Fruit, Vegetable, and Nut Marketing Agreements and Marketing Orders: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.36–900.43		
EGG RESEARCH & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	ERCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2701–2718			
FLORAL RESEARCH & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	FRCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 4301–4319	Rules of Practice Governing Proceedings on Petitions to Modify or to Be Exempted from Marketing Orders: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.50–900.71		
FLUID MILK PROMOTION ACT	FMPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6401–6417			
FRESH CUT FLOWERS & FRESH CUT GREENS PROMOTION & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	FCFGPCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6801–6814	Marketing Agreements and Marketing Orders, Generally: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.1–900.33; 900.50–900.71; 900.200–900.211 Fruits, Vegetables, and Nuts: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.36–.43; 900.80–900.83; 900.400–900.407; 7 C.F.R. pts. 905–999		
HASS AVOCADO PROMOTION, RESEARCH, & INFORMATION ACT	HAPRIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 7801–7813			
HONEY RESEARCH, PROMOTION, & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	HRPCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 4601–4613	Milk: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.20–900.33; 900.100–900.118; 900.300–900.357; 7 C.F.R. pts. 1000–1199 Petition for Exclusion from a Marketing Order: 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.50–900.71		
LIME RESEARCH, PROMOTION, & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	LRPCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6201–6212	Regulatory: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1200.50–1200.52; 7 C.F.R. §§ 900.52(c)(2)–900.71		
MUSHROOM PROMOTION, RESEARCH, & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	MPCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6101–6112	<i>Beef:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1260 <i>Blueberry:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1218		

PECAN PROMOTION & RESEARCH ACT	PPRA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6001–6013	<i>Christmas Tree:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1214		
PORK PROMOTION, RESEARCH, & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	PPRCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 4801–4819	<i>Cotton:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1205 <i>Eggs:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1250		
POTATO RESEARCH & PROMOTION ACT	PRPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2611–2627	<i>Fluid Milk:</i> 7 C.F.R. §§ 1160.101 <i>et seq.</i>		
SHEEP PROMOTION, RESEARCH, & INFORMATION ACT	SPRIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 7101–7111	<i>Hass Avocado:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1219		
SOYBEAN PROMOTION, RESEARCH, & CONSUMER INFORMATION ACT	SPRCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6301–6311	<i>Honey:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1212 <i>Lamb:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1280		
WATERMELON RESEARCH & PROMOTION ACT	WRPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 4901–4916	<i>Mango:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1206		
WHEAT & WHEAT FOODS RESEARCH & NUTRITION EDUCATION ACT	WFRNEA	7 U.S.C. §§ 3401–3417	<i>Miscellaneous Commodities:</i> 7 C.F.R. pts. 1200–1299 <i>Mushroom:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1209 <i>Paper and Paper-Based Packaging</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1222 <i>Peanut:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1216 <i>Popcorn:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1215 <i>Pork:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1230 <i>Potato:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1207 <i>Processed Raspberry:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1208		

			<p><i>Softwood Lumber:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1217</p> <p><i>Sorghum:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1221</p> <p><i>Soybeans:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1220</p> <p><i>Watermelon:</i> 7 C.F.R. pt. 1210</p>		
<p>ANIMAL HEALTH</p> <p>ANIMAL HEALTH PROTECTION ACT</p> <p>VIRUS-SERUM-TOXIN ACT</p> <p>NATIONAL VETERINARIAN ACCREDITATION PROGRAM</p>	<p>AHPA</p> <p>VSTA</p> <p>VA</p>	<p>7 U.S.C. §§ 8301–8322</p> <p>21 U.S.C. §§ 151–159</p> <p>7 U.S.C. § 8309</p>	<p>Traceability of Livestock Moving Interstate: 9 C.F.R. pts. 71, 77, 78, 86</p> <p>Livestock and Poultry Disease Eradication: 9 C.F.R. pts. 49–56</p> <p>Transportation of Animals: 9 C.F.R. pts. 70–89</p> <p>Exportation and Importation of Animals and Animal Products: 9 C.F.R. pts. 91–99</p> <p>Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous Products: 9 C.F.R. pts. 101–124</p> <p>Veterinary Accreditation: 9 C.F.R. pts. 160–162</p> <p>VA Supplemental Rules of Practice: 9 C.F.R. §§ 162.10–162.13</p> <p>Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151</p> <p>Supplemental Rules of Practice: 9 C.F.R. § 49.10</p>	<p>APHIS</p>	<p>To prevent, detect, and eradicate disease and pests of animals to protect animal health, the health and welfare of the people of the United States, economic interests of livestock and related industries, and interstate and foreign commerce.</p> <p>To prevent the sale, exchange, shipment, delivery, or use of worthless, contaminated, dangerous, or harmful virus, serum, toxin, or analogous product intended for use in the treatment of domestic animals, unless otherwise authorized. USDA operates in partnership with DHS and FDA.</p> <p>To create a Veterinary Accreditation Program pursuant to the Animal Health Protection Act to carry out regulations intended to prevent, detect, control, and eradicate diseases and pests of animals.</p>

ANIMAL WELFARE ACT	AWA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2131–2159	Supplemental Rules of Practice: 9 C.F.R. §§ 4.10–4.11 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	APHIS	To ensure that animals intended for use in research facilities, for exhibition purposes, or for use as pets as provided humane care and treatment; to assure the humane treatment of animals during transportation in commerce; and to protect the owners of animals from theft of their animals by preventing the sale or use of stolen animals.
CAPPER-VOLSTEAD ACT	CVA	7 U.S.C. §§ 291, 292	Rules of Practice Governing Cease and Desist Proceedings Under Section 2 of the Capper-Volstead Act: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.160–1.175	AMS	To allow producers of agricultural products to form associations, corporate or otherwise, to collectively process, prepare for market, handle, and market products without violating antitrust laws provided statutory conditions are met.
COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION OF EQUINES FOR SLAUGHTER ACT	CTESA	7 U.S.C. §§ 1901–1907	9 C.F.R. pts. 70, 88	APHIS/VS	To prevent needless suffering by use of humane methods in the slaughter of livestock, provide safer and better working conditions for persons engaged in the slaughtering industry, and improve products and economy.
COTTON STANDARDS ACT	CSA	7 U.S.C. §§ 51–65	7 C.F.R. §§ 28.1–28.961 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	AMS	To provide for the classification of cotton and development of cotton standards materials necessary for cotton classification.
FOOD SAFETY EGG PRODUCTS INSPECTION ACT FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION ACT POULTRY PRODUCTS INSPECTION ACT	EPIA FMIA PPIA	21 U.S.C. §§ 1031–1056 21 U.S.C. §§ 601–694 21 U.S.C. §§ 451–472	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 Eggs: 9 C.F.R. §§ 590.1–590.970 Meat: 9 C.F.R. §§ 412.1–412.500 Poultry: 9 C.F.R. pt. 381	FSIS	To protect consumers by ensuring that eggs and egg products are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly labeled and packaged, and that eggs and egg products that do not meet regulatory standards do not compete unfairly with eggs and egg products that do meet regulatory standards. To protect consumers by ensuring that meat and meat products are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly labeled and packaged, and that meat and meat products that do not meet regulatory standards do not compete unfairly with meat and meat products that do meet regulatory standards. To provide for the inspection of poultry and poultry products and otherwise regulate the processing and distribution of such articles to prevent the movement or sale in interstate or foreign commerce of, or the burdening of such commerce by, poultry products that are adulterated or misbranded.
ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT	ESA	16 U.S.C. §§ 1531–1544	Regulatory 7 C.F.R. pt. 355 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 Supplemental Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. § 380.10	APHIS	To conserve the ecosystems on which endangered and threatened species depend; provide a program for the conservation of endangered and threatened species; and take appropriate steps to achieve the purposes of international treaties. USDA is responsible for enforcement of the ESA as it pertains to the importation, exportation, or re-exportation of terrestrial plans.

EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT	EAJA	5 U.S.C. § 504	Procedures Relating to Awards Under EAJA in Proceedings Before the Department: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.180–1.203	N/A	To provide prevailing party with reimbursement of attorney’s fees in an action against the U.S. unless the government can show that its underlying litigation was substantially justified.
EQUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITY ACT	ECOA	15 U.S.C. §§ 1691 <i>et seq.</i>	Adjudications Under Section 741: 7 C.F.R. §§ 15f.1–15f.29	FSA; RD	The regulations provide the rights of complainants and the procedures for the processing of certain nonemployment related complaints alleging discrimination by USDA that were filed with USDA prior to July 1, 1997.
FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE ACT	FCIA	7 U.S.C. §§ 1501–1524	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 7 C.F.R. §§ 400.451–400.458	FSA; RMA; FCIC	To promote the national welfare by improving the economic stability of agriculture through a system of crop insurance and providing the means for the research and experience helpful in devising and establishing such insurance.
FEDERAL LAND POLICY & MANAGEMENT ACT	FLPMA	43 U.S.C. §§ 1761–1772	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	FS	To provide for grant, issue, or renewal of right of way with regard to public lands. USDA’s authority is with respect to lands within the National Forest System (not including lands designated as wilderness).
FEDERAL LANDS SOURCING APPLICATIONS FOREST RESOURCES CONSERVATION & SHORTAGE RELIEF ACT	FRCSRA	16 U.S.C. §§ 620–620j	Sourcing Area Application Procedures: 36 C.F.R. §§ 223.159–223.203 Rules of Practice Governing Adjudication of Sourcing Area Applications and Formal Review of Sourcing Areas: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.410–1.429	FS	To promote the conservation of forest resources in conjunction with State and Federal resources management plans, and other actions or decisions, affecting the use of forest resources; take action essential for the acquisition and distribution of forest resources or products in short supply in the western United States; ensure sufficient supplies of certain forest resources or products which are essential to the United States; continue and refine the existing Federal policy of restricting the export of unprocessed timber harvested from Federal lands in the western United States; and effect measures aimed at meeting these objectives in conformity with the obligations of the United States under the WTO Agreement and the multilateral trade agreements.
FEDERAL SEED ACT	FSA	7 U.S.C. §§ 1551–1611	7 C.F.R. pts. 201 <i>et seq.</i> Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	AMS	To regulate the interstate shipment of agricultural and vegetable seeds, and ensure that seeds are properly labeled with information that allows seed buyers to make informed choices.
FERC HYDROPOWER LICENSES (FEDERAL POWER ACT)	FPA	16 U.S.C. § 797(e)	Conditions in FERC Hydropower Licenses: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.601–1.674	FS	To authorize the hearing of disputed issues of material fact as they apply to USDA conditions on hydropower licenses issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

<p>FOOD & NUTRITION ACT</p> <p>SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</p>	<p>FNA (formerly FSA)</p> <p>SNAP (formerly Food Stamp Program or “FSP”)</p>	<p>7 U.S.C. §§ 2011–2036c</p>	<p>7 C.F.R. pts. 271–285</p> <p>Adjudicative Rules of Procedures for Appeals of Quality Control Claims: 7 C.F.R. pt. 283</p>	<p>FNS</p>	<p>To alleviate hunger and malnutrition through a supplemental nutrition assistance program which will permit low-income households to obtain a more nutritious diet through normal channels of trade by increasing food purchasing power for all eligible households who apply for participation.</p>
<p>GRAIN STANDARDS ACT</p>	<p>GSA</p>	<p>7 U.S.C. §§ 71–87k</p>	<p>7 C.F.R. pts. 800–810</p> <p>Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151</p>	<p>AMS</p>	<p>To promote the marketing of grain of high quality to both domestic and foreign buyers and ensure that U.S. standards for grain: define uniform and accepted descriptive terms to facilitate trade in grain; provide information to aid in determining grain storability; offer users of such standards the best possible information from which to determine end-product yield and quality of grain; provide the framework necessary for markets to establish grain quality improvement incentives; reflect the economic value-based characteristics in the end uses of grain; and accommodate scientific advances in testing and new knowledge concerning factors related to, or highly correlated with, the end use performance of grain.</p>
<p>HORSE PROTECTION ACT</p>	<p>HPA</p>	<p>15 U.S.C. §§ 1821 –1831</p>	<p>Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151</p> <p>9 C.F.R. pts. 11–12</p> <p>Supplemental Rules of Practice: 9 C.F.R. § 12.10</p>	<p>APHIS</p>	<p>To prevent and eliminate the cruel and inhumane soring of horses.</p>
<p>LACEY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1981</p>	<p>LA</p>	<p>16 U.S.C. §§ 3373(a) and (b)</p>	<p>7 C.F.R. § 380.10</p>	<p>APHIS</p>	<p>To prevent trafficking in “illegal” wildlife, fish, and plants.</p>
<p>MARKETING & AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT (INSPECTION & GRADING)</p>	<p>I & G</p>	<p>7 U.S.C. §§ 1621 <i>et seq.</i></p>	<p>Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151</p>	<p>AMS</p>	<p>To provide for (1) continuous research to improve the marketing, handling, storage, processing, transportation, and distribution of agricultural products; (2) cooperation among Federal and State agencies, producers, industry organizations, and others in the development and effectuation of research and marketing programs to improve the distribution processes; (3) an integrated administration of all laws enacted by Congress to aid the distribution of agricultural products through research, market aids and services, and regulatory activities, to the end that marketing methods and facilities may be improved, that distribution costs may be reduced and the price spread between the producer and consumer may be narrowed, that dietary and nutritional standards may be improved, that new and wider markets for American agricultural products may be developed, both in the United States and in other countries, with a view to making it possible for the full production of American farms to be disposed of usefully, economically, profitably, and in an orderly manner.</p>

NATIONAL ORGANIC PROGRAM ORGANIC FOODS PRODUCTION ACT	NOP OFPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 6501 <i>et seq.</i>	7 C.F.R. pt. 205 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	AMS	To (1) establish national standards governing the marketing of certain agricultural products as organically produced products; (2) assure consumers that organically produced products meet a consistent standard; and (3) facilitate interstate commerce in fresh and processed food that is organically produced.
PACKERS & STOCKYARDS ACT	P&S / PS	7 U.S.C. §§ 181 <i>et seq.</i>	Rules of Practice Governing Proceedings Under the Packers and Stockyards Act: 9 C.F.R. §§ 202.1–202.123 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	AMS (formerly GIPSA)	To encourage fair business practices and competitive environments to market livestock, meat, and poultry.
PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT	PACA	7 U.S.C. §§ 499a-499r	7 C.F.R. pt. 46 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 Rules of Practice Under PACA: 7 C.F.R. §§ 47.1–47.5, 47.46–47.49	AMS	To enforce fair business practices for those dealing in fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables (primarily delivery and payment)
PLANT PROTECTION ACT	PPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 7701 <i>et seq.</i>	Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151 Supplemental Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. § 380.10	APHIS	To protect the agriculture, environment, and economy of the United States through the detection, control, eradication, suppression, prevention, or retardation of the spread of plant pests or noxious weeds.
PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT	PVPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 2321 <i>et seq.</i>	7 C.F.R. §§ 97.1–97.900 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	AMS	To provide intellectual property protection to breeders of new varieties of seeds and tubers.
SUGAR MARKETING ALLOTMENT	SMA (found in Agricultural Act of 2014 or “2014 Farm Bill”)	7 U.S.C.A. §§ 1359 <i>et seq.</i>	Procedures for Appeals: 7 C.F.R. § 1435.319 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	FSA	To provide sugar marketing allotments via the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) as a part of the Sugar Program which helps maintain a minimum price for sugar domestically and imported.
SWINE HEALTH PROTECTION ACT	SHPA	7 U.S.C. §§ 3801–3813	9 C.F.R. pt. 166 Adjudicatory Rules of Practice: 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130–1.151	APHIS	To regulate food waste and garbage fed to swine to prevent and eradicate the spread of infectious disease.

AGENCY ACRONYMS

AMS: Agricultural Marketing Service

APHIS: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

FCIC: Federal Crop Insurance Corporation

FNS: Food and Nutrition Service

FS: Forest Service

FSA: Farm Service Agency

FSIS: Food Safety and Inspection Service

GIPSA: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

RD: Rural Development

RMA: Risk Management Agency

VS: Veterinary Services