

## MILK QUALITY CRITERIA

### BACTERIA

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**NORM:** 121,000 IBC / ml

**PENALTY:** Percentage of bacteria demerits in a rolling three-month period is equal to or greater than 40 percent provided that one non-regulatory result is occurred during the current analysing month.

Rate: 1<sup>st</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period: \$3.00 / hl;

2<sup>nd</sup> penalty: \$4.00 / hl; 3<sup>rd</sup> penalty: \$5.00 / hl; 4<sup>th</sup> penalty and + : \$5.00 / hl.

Suspension of pickup upon the 4<sup>th</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period.

First pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 6 production days.

2<sup>nd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 12 production days.

3<sup>rd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: ban on deliveries.

### SOMATIC CELLS

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**NORM:** 400,000 SC / ml

**PENALTY:** Percentage of bacteria demerits in a rolling three-month period is equal to or greater than 40 percent provided that one non-regulatory result is occurred during the current month.

Rate: 1<sup>st</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period \$3.00 / hl;

2<sup>nd</sup> penalty: \$4.00 / hl; 3<sup>rd</sup> penalty: \$5.00 / hl; 4<sup>th</sup> penalty and + : \$5.00 / hl.

Suspension of pickup upon the 4<sup>th</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period.

First pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 6 production days.

2<sup>nd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 12 production days.

3<sup>rd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: ban on deliveries.

### CONTAMINATION BY ANTIBIOTICS

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**NORM:** negative after analysis

**PENALTIES:** Non-payment for milk and charge for expenses incurred to destroy milk

Rate: 1<sup>st</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period \$6.00 / hl;

2<sup>nd</sup> penalty: \$ 9.00 / hl; 3<sup>rd</sup> penalty and + : \$12.00 / hl.

Suspension of pickup upon the 2<sup>nd</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period

First pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 6 production days.

2<sup>nd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: minimum of 12 production days.

3<sup>rd</sup> pickup suspension over a 12-month rolling period: ban on deliveries.

### SMELL AND TASTE

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**NORM:** no bad smell or taste

Refusal at pickup

### TEMPERATURE

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**NORM:** 4° C maximum

Refusal at pickup

### SEDIMENT

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**NORM:** absence of sediment

Refusal at pickup

### CONTAMINATION WITH WATER

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**NORM:** freezing point must not exceed -0,525°H (-0,507°C)

**PENALTY:** 1<sup>st</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period \$1.00 / hl;

2<sup>nd</sup> penalty: \$2.00 / hl; 3<sup>rd</sup> penalty and + : \$3.00 / hl.

The penalties are cumulative within the same month.

An 18-day delay is allowed between two infractions for purposes of calculating penalties.

The first analysis result that exceeds the standard, over a rolling 12-month period, will not be included in the penalty calculation.

### CONTAMINATION BY ANTISEPTICS

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**NORM:** negative after analysis

**PENALTY:** Non-payment for milk and charge for expenses incurred to destroy milk

1<sup>st</sup> penalty over a 12-month rolling period \$4.00 / hl;

2<sup>nd</sup> penalty: \$6.00 / hl; 3<sup>rd</sup> penalty and + : \$10.00 / hl.

### FALSIFICATION (FRAUDULENT MODIFICATION OF THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF RAW MILK)

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**NORM:** no falsification allowed

Non-payment for milk and suspension of pickup