

**1556.0160 LICENSING; AUTHORIZATION.**

Subpart 1. **Approval required.** Authorization to use labeling statements covered by this chapter is dependent upon approval by the commissioner of an application for their use, with the exception of retailers and wholesalers, who may use the labeling statements without a license in order to display and advertise products that qualify for use of the labeling statements.

Subp. 2. **Application to use labeling statements.** An application to use labeling statements covered by this chapter must be made in writing, on a form provided by the department, and must reveal information considered necessary for the enforcement of the Minnesota grown marketing program.

The application form must be accompanied by a fee established in Minnesota Statutes, section 17.102. If an applicant is ineligible, the fee must be refunded. Producers and processors applying for a license to use the "Minnesota grown organic" labeling statement must also provide written evidence of current organic certification.

Subp. 3. **License to use labeling statements.** An applicant who has an application approved must receive a license valid for one year, beginning January 1. Licensees shall apply for renewal of each license before the expiration date of the current license.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 17.102*

**History:** *13 SR 2896; 18 SR 580; 29 SR 655; 33 SR 1747*

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