

179.871 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of sections 179.87 to 179.877, the terms in this section have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. **Authorized employee representative.** "Authorized employee representative" has the meaning given in section 182.651, subdivision 22.

Subd. 3. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of labor and industry or the commissioner's designee.

Subd. 4. **Coordinator.** "Coordinator" means the meatpacking industry worker rights coordinator or the coordinator's designee.

Subd. 5. **Meat-processing worker.** "Meat-processing worker" or "worker" means any individual who a meat-processing employer suffers or permits to work directly in contact with raw meatpacking products in a meatpacking operation, including independent contractors and persons performing work for an employer through a temporary service or staffing agency. Workers in a meatpacking operation who inspect or package meatpacking products and workers who clean, maintain, or sanitize equipment or surfaces are included in the definition of a meat-processing worker. Meat-processing worker does not include a federal, state, or local government inspector.

Subd. 6. **Meatpacking operation; meat-processing employer.** "Meatpacking operation" or "meat-processing employer" means a meatpacking or poultry processing site with 100 or more employees in Minnesota and a North American Industrial Classification system (NAICS) code of 311611 to 311615, excluding NAICS code 311613. Meatpacking operation or meat-processing employer does not mean a grocery store, butcher shop, meat market, deli, restaurant, or other business preparing meatpacking products for immediate consumption or for sale in a retail establishment or otherwise directly to an end-consumer.

Subd. 7. **Meatpacking products.** "Meatpacking products" means meat food products and poultry food products as defined in section 31A.02, subdivision 10.

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