

Produce Safety Law Produce Safety Program



Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

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The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) will start inspecting qualified produce farms and packing houses in an effort to prevent foodborne illness outbreaks.

The Federal Food Safety Modernization Act establishes for the first time science-based minimum standards for the safe growing, harvesting, packing and holding of fresh fruits and vegetables for human consumption. Our goal is to educate farmers while we regulate to gain voluntary compliance with the new law.

Six Key Requirements

- 1. Agricultural water
- 2. Biological soil amendments
- 3. Sprouts
- 4. Domesticated and wild animals
- 5. Worker training and health/hygiene
- 6. Equipment, tools and buildings

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