Texas Department of State Health Services
Meat Safety Assurance
Austin, TX

# MSA COVER SHEET **(To Be Used with FSIS Directive 7000.1)**	7000.1	10/26/2026

VERIFICATION OF NON-FOOD SAFETY CONSUMER PROTECTION REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this cover sheet is to denote how Meat Safety Assurance (MSA) is different from FSIS in implementing FSIS Directive 7000.1 Other than the differences noted on this cover sheet, MSA follows FSIS Directive 7000.1 as written.

II. DIFFERENTIATION

1. MSA can be used in place of FSIS throughout document

2. Personnel from the Meat Safety Assurance unit perform the functions of inspection program personnel from the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). MSA Personnel that most often perform these tasks are MSA Inspectors.

3. The MSA Central Office performs the functions of the FSIS District Office (DO).

4. Section VII. Questions - Questions regarding this directive (and coversheet) are to be directed through supervisory channels or through ASK MSA. MSA staff are not to use the telephone number or the webform associated with the FSIS Directive.