

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION

MANGO PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION ORDER (7 CFR 1206)

YEAR BEING APPLIED FOR: _____

**PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS AT BOTTOM OF THIS APPLICATION
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**

APPLICANT'S NAME	BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO., INCLUDE AREA CODE
BUSINESS NAME	
BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY STATE ZIP
TAX or BUSINESS IDENTIFICATION NO. or SOCIAL SECURITY NO.	

I hereby **CERTIFY** that:

___ I am a first handler and I handled _____ pounds of mangos during the year _____
 ___ I am an importer and I imported _____ pounds of mangos during the year _____

Name of Applicant (Print)

Title

Signature of Applicant

Date

INSTRUCTIONS

Return to:
National Mango Board
3535 Lawton Road Suite 111
Orlando, FL 32803
 or
P.O. Box 14903
Orlando, FL 32814-0903

If you are a first handler or importer of mangos, and you handled or imported less than 500,000 pounds during the previous year, you are eligible to claim an exemption from assessments. The National Mango Board will require persons applying for an exemption from assessments to provide substantiating information supporting their exemption status. All persons are liable for paying assessments, except those who have a Certificate of Exemption issued by the National Mango Board and must be renewed annually by the National Mango Board.

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Following are the procedures to apply for a Certificate of Exemption. For complete details, please see Mango Promotion, Research, and Information Order (**Section 1206.43 Exemptions in the Order**)

Procedures for National Mango Board Certificate of Exemption

1. Deadline: October 1 of previous fiscal year.

A first handler or importer desiring an exemption shall apply to the Board, completing the **Application for a Certificate of Exemption** provided by the Board, certifying that the first handler or importer will handle or import less than 500,000 pounds of mangos for the fiscal year the exemption is claimed.

2. Upon receipt of an Application for a Certificate of Exemption, the Board shall determine whether an exemption may be granted.

- a. The Board then will issue, if deemed appropriate, a **Certificate of Exemption** to each person who is eligible to receive one.
 - i. **The Certificate of Exemption** will be issued by the Board within **30 days** of receipt of the **Application for a Certificate of Exemption**.
- b. It is the responsibility of the persons who are applying to retain a copy of the **Certificate of Exemption**.

3. First handlers who receive a Certificate of Exemption shall be eligible for the exemption of assessments for the fiscal period for which the Certificate of Exemption was issued.

4. Importers who receive a Certificate of Exemption shall be eligible for reimbursement of assessments collected by Customs.

- a. These importers shall apply to the Board for reimbursement, completing an **Application for Reimbursement**, attaching the **Certificate of Exemption** they had previously been granted by the Board and proof of payment of assessments.
- b. No interest will be paid on the assessments collected by Customs.
- c. Requests for reimbursement shall be submitted to the Board within **90 days** of the last day of the calendar year the mangos were actually imported.
- d. Reimbursements will be issued within **30 days** of receipt of the **Application for Reimbursement**.

5. Any person who desires an exemption from assessments for a subsequent calendar year shall reapply to the Board, by completing another Application for a Certificate of Exemption for that fiscal period for which the exemption is claimed.

6. The Board may require persons receiving an exemption of assessments to provide to the Board reports on the disposition of exempt mangos.