TO: All Holders of the Fish Products Inspection Manual

**SUBJECT:** FISH INSPECTION REGULATIONS - SECTION 6(2)(a) - IDENTITY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT PACKING FISH

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify the interpretation of Section 6(2)(a) of the Fish Inspection Regulations (FIR).

Section 6(2)(a) of the FIR states that "No person shall import into Canada or attempt to import into Canada any fish unless:

(a) the identity of the establishment at which the fish is packed and the day, month and year of packing are legibly marked on one end of the carton or case in which the containers of fish are shipped."

The master carton may identify the packer of the fish by either the packer's name or by code. When a code is used to identify the packer and/or date of packing, the importer is responsible for providing Inspection Directorate with a key that identifies the name of the establishment and/or date of packing.

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