



# CCE COORDINATION BULLETIN

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### Meat and Poultry Standards Use

The following guidance shall be used by the CCE when performing TPV evaluations. This guidance is effective immediately upon receipt and shall be used until revoked or included in an up-date of the TPV Manual.

3-A SSI plans to allow issuance of 3-A Symbol Authorization for the three jointly written standards ANSI/NSF/3A 14159-1, ANSI/NSF/3A 14159-2, and ANSI/NSF/3A 14159-3 for the meat and poultry industry. Our goal, over time, is to expand the recognition and value of 3-A Sanitary Standards in this important segment of the food industry. This Guidance Bulletin provides guidance to implementing these new standards into the existing TPV program.

These three standards include a different scope and presentation from the normal 3A Sanitary Standards to which you are familiar. However as active participants in the development of these standards, the majority of 3A hygienic principles are included in these documents. There are some differences in criteria which are important to apply when conducting a TPV for this style of equipment. The most important rule when applying these standards is the same as for any other standard: The criteria of the standard apply as written. This rule is no different than how we accommodate differences in criteria within our other individual equipment standards.

#### General Criteria:

1. Standards criteria are applied as written.
2. The TPV Cover page and Supplemental information pages shall apply.
3. The policies and procedures in the TPV Manual apply unless modified in this Bulletin.
4. An EDTCF is required for 3A Symbol Authorization.

5. The applicant is to declare the Hygiene level for the equipment as stated in Annex A of the standards. This declaration shall be entered on the TPV Cover Page so that it will show on the 3A Symbol Authorization. The CCE has no responsibility to evaluate how the Applicant arrived at this determination.
6. Equipment which has been declared as Hygiene level 1 is not eligible for 3A Symbol Authorization.

TPV Cover Page:

THIRD PARTY VERIFICATION REPORT FOR 3-A SYMBOL AUTHORIZATION	
Applicant:	TPV Inspection Completion Date:
	CCE:
	Equipment Type:
Verification Location:	3-A Sanitary Standard:
	3-A Authorization Number:
Applicant/Verification Contact (name, phone no., email address):	
Type of Verification:	<input type="checkbox"/> New Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Conditional <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up
<input type="checkbox"/> Clean-in-Place Model Number(s) (use serial # if no model #) (use separate page, if needed):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Clean-Out-of-Place/Manual Cleaning Model Number(s) (use serial # if no model #) (use separate page, if needed):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Both CIP and COP. List Model Number(s) (use serial # if no model #) (use separate page, if needed):	
Observations and Findings:	
Declaration of Findings:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nonconformance ( <i>Note: If any "No" items are checked, the "Nonconformance" box shall be marked.</i> ) When the "Nonconformance" box is marked, additional statements specifically describing which criteria from the base 3-A Sanitary Standards were not in conformance must be included in the "Observations and Findings" column or on an attached page.) <input type="checkbox"/> Conformance I, the undersigned CCE, do hereby certify that the equipment covered by this report has been thoroughly evaluated and complies with all the appropriate criteria of the covering 3-A Sanitary Standards.	
CCE Signature:	

Insert appropriate Standards No.:

14159-1  
14159-2  
14159-3

Check this box when Hygiene Level 3, 4, or 5 is declared.

State the declared Hygiene Level

Check this box when Hygiene Level 2 is declared.

Check this box the same as you would for any other TPV

Annex A  
Categorization of equipment and associated equipment for intended use

Hygiene level	Description
1	Equipment which, following a hygiene risk assessment, needs only to partially conform with the requirements of this Standard to meet the identified risk(s) and to produce safe product.
2	Equipment which, following a hygiene risk assessment, conforms with the requirements of this Standard, but requires planned disassembly for cleaning.
3	Equipment which, following a hygiene risk assessment, conforms fully with this Standard and can be cleaned without disassembly.
4	Equipment which, following a hygiene risk assessment, conforms fully with this Standard and has been designed for a specified heat, chemical or physical treatment to free the equipment from relevant microorganisms.
5	Equipment which, following a hygiene risk assessment, conforms fully with this Standard, will prevent microbial ingress and has been designed for a specified heat, chemical or physical treatment to free the equipment from relevant microorganisms

Supplemental Page:

		Yes	No	NA	Observations and Findings
1	3-A Standard No. displayed within Symbol: (XX-XX)				
2	Manual(s)				
	Engineering Design and Technical Construction File (EDTCF)				
3	Copy of current 3-A Sanitary Standard(s) kept on file				
4	Quality control program verified				
5	Rubber certificates reviewed for all rubber parts				
6	Plastic certificates reviewed for all plastic parts				
7	Fabricator declared Hygiene Level				Insert Hygiene Level
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