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USGSA FEE SCHEDULE

Effective Date: January 1, 2025. Federal Grain Inspection Service must approve fees for official services and official agencies will assess only those fees appearing on their current approved fee schedules.

Regular Hours: ABERDEEN LAB

Service Hours (Including Inspection and Sampling) – 4:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Monday through Friday

Contact lab by 9:00 A.M. for same day inspection service.

Contact lab by Noon on weekdays for on-site inspection service that starts before the end of regular hours the following business day. Provide a minimum of 8 hours notice if service request is made during regular hours.

Contact lab by 10:00 A.M. on Friday for weekend inspection service and 10:00 A.M. the last business day before a holiday for holiday inspection service, and for inspection service that starts before the end of regular hours the following business day.

Sampling Only Hours – 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Monday through Friday

Contact lab by 10:00 A.M. for same day sampling service and by 10:00 A.M. Friday for weekend sampling service and 10:00 A.M. the last business day before a holiday for holiday sampling service and service that starts before the end of regular hours the following business day.

MITCHELL LAB

Inspection and sampling hours – 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Contact lab for service by 4:00 P.M. Previous Business Day.

Regular, and Standby hourly rates \$29.20 per hour sampler/technician; \$41.85 Inspector, for services not covered by the official inspection unit fees including travel time. Except as noted, no hourly fees will be charged in addition to official inspection unit fees during regular hours except for travel, standby time or down time when requested services cannot be provided through no fault of Aberdeen Grain Inspection, Inc.



Cancellation Charges: Service is scheduled when a start time is given. If the elevator cancels or changes the service request, a 4-hour person fee shall be assessed.

Overtime hourly rates shall be one and one-half times the regular hourly rate for sampler/technicians and inspectors, in addition to unit fees, for all hourly charges after 8 hours or outside regular hours. A minimum of four hours will be charged if not directly preceding or following core business hours. Per diem, per person, meals \$9.00 per meal for work performed during the following times 6:00 A.M./Noon/6:00 P.M. and actual cost, per hotel room when necessary.

All hourly rates will be assessed in one-half hour increments.

Sunday and Holiday Hourly Rate: \$58.40 per hour sampler/technician and \$83.72 per inspector will be assessed from departure until return to lab in addition to unit fees. Holidays include Martin Luther King's, Presidents, Good Friday, Memorial, Juneteenth, Independence, Labor, Columbus, Veteran's, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday after; Christmas Eve P.M. hours and Christmas Day; and New Year's Eve P.M. hours and New Year's Day; and Holidays observed by the Minneapolis Grain Exchange. Holidays falling on a Saturday are also observed on the Friday before the Holiday. Holidays falling on Sunday are also observed on the following Monday.

Mileage Fees: Mileage will be assessed at the rate of less than or equal to the IRS standard mileage rate for all services performed basis portal to portal. Any change to the mileage rate is effective when the IRS changes their standard mileage rate.

FGIS Administrative Tonnage Fees. In addition to all other applicable fees, FGIS administrative tonnage fees for export grain shipments inspected and/or weighed, excluding land carrier shipments to Canada and Mexico, will be assessed at the current per metric ton rate identified in FGIS Directive 9180.74 Service Fees and Billing Codes, Attachment 1. Invoices will identify assessed administrative tonnage fees as separate line items per applicable carrier/unit type.

FGIS Supervision Fees. In addition to all other applicable fees, FGIS supervision fees for domestic U.S. grain shipments inspected and/or weighed, including land carrier shipments to Canada and Mexico, will be assessed at the current per metric ton rate identified in FGIS Directive 9180.74 Service Fees and Billing Codes, Attachment 2. Invoices will identify assessed supervision fees as separate line items per applicable carrier/unit type.

Weather Policy: Aberdeen Grain Inspection will adhere to the following inclement weather policy, railcar sampling services may be delayed or suspended when one or more of the following conditions exist:

High winds, rainfall that creates conditions that are either dangerous to employees and/or degrading to the grain being sampled, lightning, snow and/or ice on the railcars, or any other weather related and/or facility specific condition that could put employees providing the sampling service in jeopardy. Adequate lighting must be provided when onsite sampling is requested after sunset. Travel is suspended when Safe Travel USA shows "No Travel Advised" or "Closed" or similar road conditions are expected.



OFFICIAL INSPECTION SERVICES:

	TOTAL
Sampling, grading and certification, per railcar or container, phytosanitary, container or tote lot (No hourly charge when working during regular hours).....	\$26.50
(Fee assessed per railcar on cu-sum plan and railcar averages)	
On-site inspection, per car, per person, (in addition to unit fees)	2.01
Sampling, Probe or Pelican (in addition to unit fees).....	3.99
12 Foot Probe (in addition to unit fees).....	2.18
Sampling, grading and certification, all trucks	18.98
Sampling only fee, per railcar, plus mileage	12.62
Sampling only fee, per truck, plus mileage	11.00
Sampling only fee, per tote, or per probe, plus hourly.....	4.91
Submitted sample inspection, per sample.....	12.66
Submitted sample, fax and car service, per sample	3.33
Submitted sample, factor only.....	8.56
Admixture on sunflower seed, per request	3.44
Reinspection, file sample	11.96
Reinspection, new sample, same as original charge.	
Sunflower oil test, initial or reinspection	11.29
Wheat or Barley protein analysis, initial or reinspection.....	7.92
Export or Domestic stowage exam, per exam	6.90
*Sealing Totes, per seal applied.....	2.18
*Sealing hopper car tops when requested, per car, or \$1.50 per seal.....	6.64
*Cable seal charge, per seal used, in addition to seal rate	3.99
Duplicate copies of certificates, per copy	1.39
Insect-damaged kernels, per 100 grams	7.64
Insect-damaged kernels, per 100 grams (as factor).....	7.92
Soybean protein test, initial or reinspection.....	7.25
Soybean oil test, initial or reinspection.....	7.25
Soybean protein & oil, initial or reinspection	10.89



*The shipper (applicant) is responsible to ensure that all seals are the correct type, applied correctly, and that seal numbers applied match the log and/or certificate prior to releasing the railcars, trucks, totes, lot, etc. Video recording seal numbers and identification, by the shipper prior to releasing the railcars, trucks, totes, lot, etc. for documentation is recommended. In the event the applicant desires the top of the railcar to be sealed by official AGI personnel, AGI reserves the right to request that the applicant shuts and latches doors after sampling, prior to sealing.

OTHER OFFICIAL SERVICES:

	TOTAL
Composite sample (per car)	\$3.65
Composite sample request before inspection (per car)	1.66
Re-certification, per certificate	2.66
Aflatoxin testing	40.11
DON testing (Vomitoxin)	40.11
DON, Zearalenone, Fumonisin, Aflatoxin Dilution (Plus original test charge)	40.11
Zearalenone Test.....	40.11
Fumonisin Test	40.11
Corn – Total Stress Crack.....	7.53
Corn – Single, Double & Multiple Stress Crack	12.54
Corn – Waxy Corn Test, initial or reinspection.....	7.64
Samples sent to Minneapolis without inspection or similar request	9.70
Samples sent to Minneapolis or similar request, with inspection	6.04
Sample Pick up by route driver (Drop box)	6.94
Training (per hour, per instructor)	85.02
Checktesting D/T Samplers (plus hourly and mileage)	66.42
Checktesting on-site lab equipment (plus hourly and mileage)	66.42
Export surcharge (per certificate)	3.33

Shipping, Postage, Fed-ex, or Freight Fees – Actual charge.

On-Site minimum of 9 cars per hour average for the train. (Amounts less than 9 per hour will be billed at the current railcar rate.) Travel included when multiple trips are requested.

Contract services and agreements are available.



We reserve the right to determine the rotation and number of personnel and location sent from for service. For trains which have multiple trips requested, a minimum of 8 hours off, excluding travel, will be necessary. Requests for service after cutoff time and/or outside of regular hours (listed on page one) may (1) have to wait for regular hours, (2) be subject to sampling only (for on-site service), and/or (3) be assessed a 4-hour charge at Aberdeen Grain Inspection, Inc. management discretion (depending on availability of personnel).

Required tests must be requested before inspection of samples begins. If directions are unclear as to which tests a customer is requesting, inspection will wait until full and clear directions are given. There is no guarantee that additional tests requested after inspection of the samples has begun will be performed.

Official commercial inspections are available and will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.

Aberdeen Grain Inspection, Inc. charges are subject to all applicable federal, state, and local service (sales) taxes. Interest on unpaid balances up to 1% per month.



SERVICES NOT COVERED BY THE U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT:

	TOTAL
Weighing per car or truck, per railcar, plus mileage	\$7.90
Other Statements.....	3.52
Falling Numbers Test.....	19.60
Germination (Corn, Flaxseed & Small Grains).....	8.38
Germination (Grass & Rape)	11.16
Purity test, small grains.....	6.98
Purity test, small seed	8.38
Purity test, grass seed	9.77
Purity test, large seed.....	16.61
Noxious seed examination	8.37
Viptera test.....	40.11
Mileage charge (less than or equal to IRS Standard Rate)	
Submitted Car Grade.....	15.99
Submitted Grade	12.66
Sampled by Official Personnel with Grade.....	26.50
Vomitoxin	40.11
Aflatoxin	40.11
Fumonisin	40.11
Zearalenone.....	40.11
Protein.....	7.92
Reinspection File	11.96
Probe Charge.....	3.99
Submitted 1 Factor	8.56
Submitted 2 Factor	12.66
Sunday/Holiday Tech	58.40
Standby/Regular Hourly Tech	29.20
Sample Only	12.62
Standby/Regular Hourly Inspector	41.85
Sunday/Holiday Inspector	83.72
Overtime Inspector	62.79
OT Sampler Tech	43.80
GMO Test (per test strip).....	15.04
GMO Test (applicant provides test strip).....	7.53
Regular hourly rate (For unofficial services not already defined).....	37.60