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## POULTRY NECK AND GIBLET COUNT AND STYLING

## **Policy**

This instruction describes poultry neck and giblet count and styling requirements if stated in the specification.

## **Procedure**

## I. Poultry Neck and Giblet Count and Styling Requirement Verification

Approved specifications will often list neck and giblet counts and styling requirements as part of the specification. To determine compliance with the specified criteria, graders shall verify using SPL-2. For neck and giblets counts, any sample carcass with more or less than the specified amount would be scored as a defect. Product not meeting styling requirements would also be scored as a defect.

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