

Standard Operating Procedure

FARM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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Title: **Use of Containers in Packing House Facility**

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Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ GAP Coordinator, Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Produce is delivered to this packing facility on pallets, in bins, in boxes, etc. and logged onto the log book.
2. Produce then begins the packing house process. Depending on the commodity and the wait time (how much produce is in front of it), it may be sent to the cooler or to the wash line.
3. Once at the wash line, the produce is washed and graded.
4. After grading, the produce is packaged in a new box specifically for that commodity. This facility only uses new boxes for repacking and shipping. The produce is coded and logged for traceability.
5. Produce is then placed in the cooler or appropriate area until ship date or placed directly on a truck to be shipped immediately.