



FSMA 204 FINAL RULE

OVERVIEW: THE RULE & INDUSTRY RESPONSE

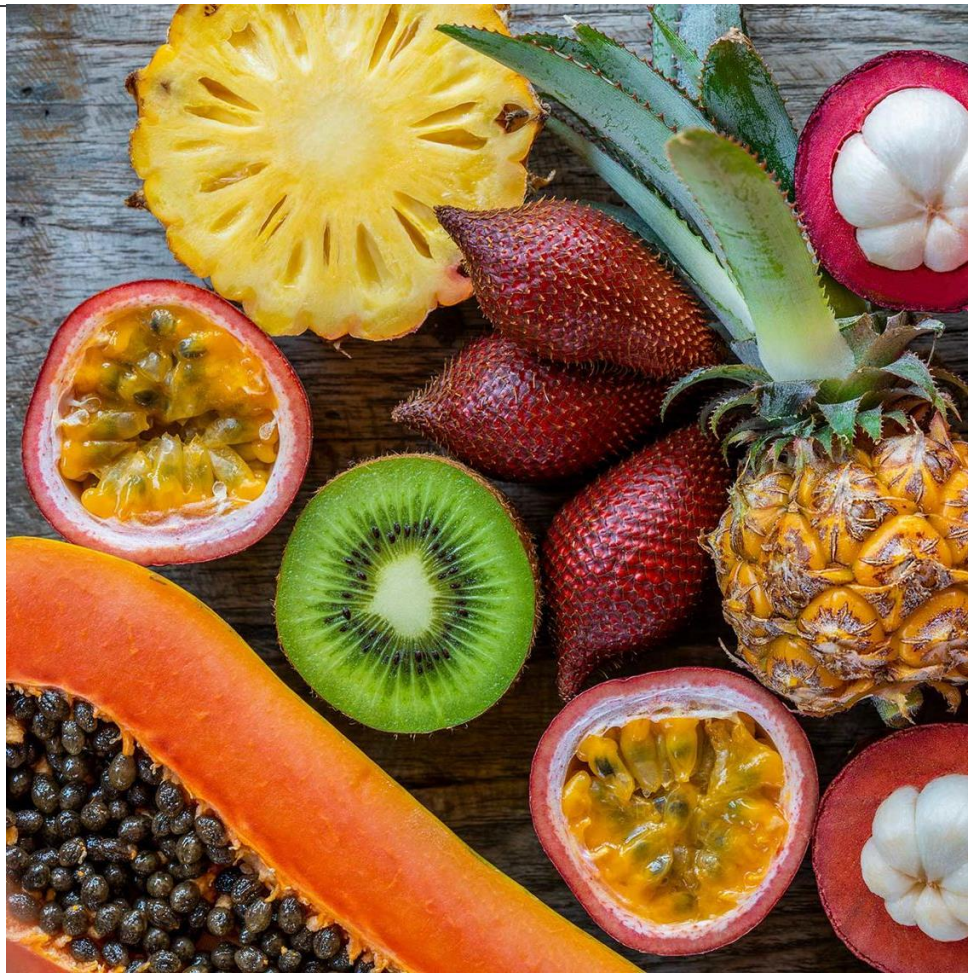
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FDA'S FSMA 204 – THE “FINAL RULE”

- The goal of FSMA 204 is to reduce traceback and trace-forward investigations from 5-6 weeks to 5-6 days
- The Rule requires entities that Harvest, Cool, Pack, Transform, Ship and/or Receive food on the Food Traceability List, to establish and maintain records at these Critical Tracking Events (**CTE's**) containing certain information Key Data Elements (**KDE's**) and link that information a Traceability Lot Code (**TLC**)





WHO'S AFFECTED?



Farms that sell less than \$25,000 average for the last 3-years of produce are exempt from FSMA 204



FSMA 204 only applies to items on the Food Traceability List (FTL)

However, many retail buyers have required the same data for all fresh produce items



Food Traceability List (FTL)

Food Traceability List | FDA

Produce Items		Non-Produce Items	
Cucumbers (fresh)	Sprouts (fresh)	Cheeses, other than hard cheeses	Finfish, including smoked fish (fresh and frozen)
Herbs (fresh)	Tomatoes (fresh)	Shell eggs	Crustaceans (fresh and frozen)
Leafy greens (fresh), including fresh cut leafy greens	Tropical tree fruits (fresh)	Nut butter (does not include soy or seed butters)	Mollusks, bi-valves(fresh and frozen)
Melons (fresh)	Fruits and vegetables (fresh cut)		
Peppers (fresh)	Ready to eat deli salads (refrigerated)		



FSMA 204 REQUIREMENTS

At each Critical Tracking Event (CTE), packers, shippers, and receivers are required to capture and store certain Key Data Elements (KDE's).

Share certain KDE's with all shipments of FTL items.

Provide FDA with an electronic sortable spreadsheet if you are implicated in a traceback investigation.

Creation and maintenance of a written Traceability Plan.



FSMA 204 COMPLIANCE DATE



Initially, these regulations were to be enforced in starting on **January 20, 2026**. However, the FDA is **announcing its intention to extend the compliance date by 30 months. The FDA intends to extend the compliance date using appropriate procedures at a later time, including publishing a proposed rule in the Federal Register.**



If you are involved in FDA Traceback investigation on or after the compliance date, you will be required to **submit an electronic sortable spreadsheet to FDA within 24 hours** unless you are exempt from the rule.

Spreadsheet must contain records, Key Data Elements (KDEs), at the following Critical Tracking Events (CTEs):



- Harvest
- Pre-Cooling
- Storage before Initial Packing
- Initial Packing
- Transformation
- Receiving

PRODUCE SUPPLY CHAIN EXAMPLE



Supply Chain Example: Cucumbers



Food Traceability Rule: Critical Tracking Events (CTEs) and Key Data Elements (KDEs)



Harvesting

Cooling
(before Initial
Packing)

**Initial
Packing**
(RAC)

**First Land-Based
Receiver**

Shipping

Receiving

Transformation

**Traceability
Plan**

Harvesting KDEs (Raw agricultural commodities (RACs) not obtained from a fishing vessel)

- Location description for the immediate subsequent recipient (other than a transporter) of the food
- Commodity and, if applicable, variety of the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Location description for the farm where the food was harvested
- For produce:
 - Name of the field or other growing area from which the food was harvested (must correspond to the name used by the grower), or
 - Other information identifying the harvest location at least as precisely as field or growing area name
- For aquacultured food:
 - Name of the container (e.g., pond, pool, tank, cage) from which the food was harvested (must correspond to the container name used by the aquaculture farmer), or
 - Other information identifying the harvest location at least as precisely as the container name
- Date of harvesting
- Reference document type and reference document number

Provide to the Initial Packer

- Business name
- Phone number
- Harvesting KDEs (except the reference document type and reference document number)

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Cooling KDEs (RACs not obtained from a fishing vessel)

- Location description for the immediate subsequent recipient (other than a transporter) of the food
- Commodity and, if applicable, variety of the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Location description for where you cooled the food
- Date of cooling
- Location description for the farm where the food was harvested
- Reference document type and reference document number

Provide to the Initial Packer

- Cooling KDEs (except the reference document type and reference document number)



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Initial Packing KDEs of RACs (other than a food obtained from a fishing vessel)

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot you assign for the food that you pack

- Commodity and, if applicable, variety of the food received
 - Date you received the food
 - Quantity and unit of measure of the food received
 - Location description for the farm where the food was harvested
 - For produce:
 - Name of the field or other growing area from which the food was harvested (must correspond to the name used by the grower), or
 - Other information identifying the harvest location at least as precisely as field or growing area name
 - For aquacultured food:
 - Name of the container (e.g., pond, pool, tank, cage) from which the food was harvested (must correspond to the container name used by the aquaculture farmer), or
 - Other information identifying the harvest location at least as precisely as the container name
- 
- Business name and phone number for the harvester of the food
 - Date of harvesting
 - Location description for where the food was cooled (if applicable)
 - Date of cooling (if applicable)
 - Traceability lot code you assigned
 - Product description of the packed food
 - Quantity and unit of measure of the packed food
 - Location description for where you initially packed the food (i.e., traceability lot code source), and (if applicable), the traceability lot code source reference
 - Date of initial packing
 - Reference document type and reference document number

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Initial Packing KDEs (Sprouts)

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

All KDEs on previous slide **AND**:

- Location description for the grower of seeds for sprouting and date of seed harvesting, if either is available
- Location description for the seed conditioner or processor, associated seed lot code, and date of conditioning or processing
- Location description for the seed packinghouse (including any repackers), date of packing (and repacking, if applicable), and any associated seed lot code assigned by the seed packinghouse
- Location description for the seed supplier, any seed lot code assigned by the seed supplier (including master lot and sub-lot codes), and any new seed lot code assigned by the sprouter
- Description of the seeds, including seed type or taxonomic name, growing specifications, type of packaging, and (if applicable) antimicrobial treatment
- Date of receipt of the seeds by the sprouter
- Reference document type and reference document number



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Initial Packing KDEs of RACs (other than a food obtained from a fishing vessel)

For food you receive from a person who is exempt from the rule

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

- Commodity and, if applicable, variety of the food received
- Date you received the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food received
- Location description for the person from whom you received the food
- Traceability lot code you assigned
- Product description of the packed food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the packed food
- Location description for where you initially packed the food (i.e., the traceability lot code source), and (if applicable) the traceability lot code source reference
- Date of initial packing
- Reference document type and reference document number



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First Land-Based Receiver KDEs (food obtained from a fishing vessel)

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

- NEW • Traceability lot code you assigned
- Species and/or acceptable market name for unpackaged food, or the product description for packaged food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Harvest date range and locations for the trip during which the food was caught
- NEW • Location description for the first land-based receiver (i.e., traceability lot code source), and (if applicable) traceability lot code source reference
- Date the food was landed
- Reference document type and reference document number



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Shipping KDEs (maintain and provide)

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

- Traceability lot code for the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Product description for the food
- Location description for the immediate subsequent recipient (other than a transporter) of the food
- Location description for the location from which you shipped the food
- Date you shipped the food
- Location description for the traceability lot code source or the traceability lot code source reference
- Reference document type and reference document number (maintain only)

*This section does not apply to the shipment of a food that occurs before the food is initially packed (if the food is a raw agricultural commodity not obtained from a fishing vessel).



Food Traceability Rule: Critical Tracking Events (CTEs) and Key Data Elements (KDEs)



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Receiving KDEs

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

- Traceability lot code for the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Product description for the food
- Location description for the immediate previous source (other than a transporter) for the food
- Location description for where the food was received
- Date you received the food
- Location description for the traceability lot code source or the traceability lot code source reference
- Reference document type and reference document number

Receiving KDEs

For food you receive from a person who is exempt from the rule

KDEs must be linked to the traceability lot for the food

- Traceability lot code for the food, which you must assign if one has not already been assigned (does not apply to RFEs or restaurants)
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Product description for the food
- Location description for the immediate previous source (other than a transporter) for the food
- Location description for where the food was received (i.e, traceability lot code source) and (if applicable) traceability lot code source reference
- Date you received the food
- Reference document type and reference document number

*This section does not apply to receipt of a food that occurs before the food is initially packed (if the food is a raw agricultural commodity not obtained from a fishing vessel) or to the receipt of a food by the first land-based receiver (if the food is obtained from a fishing vessel).

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Transformation KDEs

FTL food(s) used as ingredient(s)

KDEs must be linked to the new traceability lot for the food

- Traceability lot code for the food
- Product description for the food to which the traceability lot code applies
- For each traceability lot used, the quantity and unit of measure of the food used from that lot

Transformation KDEs

New food produced

KDEs must be linked to the new traceability lot for the food

- New traceability lot code for the food
- Location description for where you transformed the food (i.e., the traceability lot code source), and (if applicable) the traceability lot code source reference
- Date transformation was completed
- Product description for the food
- Quantity and unit of measure of the food
- Reference document type and reference document number

For RACs (other than a food obtained from a fishing vessel) that were not initially packed prior to your transformation of the food, you must maintain records containing the information specified in § 1.1330(a) or (c).

For sprouts that were not initially packed prior to your transformation of the food, you must maintain records containing the information specified in § 1.1330(a) or (c), and also § 1.1330(b).

*This section does not apply to retail food establishments and restaurants with respect to foods they do not ship (e.g., foods they sell or send directly to consumers).

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Required for all persons covered by the rule

- Description of the procedures you use to maintain the required records, including the format and location of the records
- Description of the procedures you use to identify foods on the FTL that you manufacture, process, pack or hold
- Description of how you assign traceability lot codes to foods on the FTL, if applicable
- Statement identifying a point of contact for questions regarding your traceability plan and records
- If you grow or raise a food on the FTL (other than eggs), a farm map showing the areas in which you grow or raise such foods
 - The farm map must show the location and name of each field (or other growing area) in which you grow a food on the FTL, including geographic coordinates and any other information needed to identify the location of each field or growing area
 - For aquaculture farms, the farm map must show the location and name of each container (e.g., pond, pool, tank, cage) in which you raise seafood on the FTL, including the geographic coordinates and any other information needed to identify the location of each container
- You must update your traceability plan as needed to ensure that the information reflects your current practices and to ensure you are in compliance with the rule
- You must retain your previous traceability plan for 2 years after you update the plan





TRACEABILITY LOT CODES (TLC)

At each Critical Tracking Event (CTE), entities are required to link the traceability lot code (**TLC**) to the product. Only two activities are allowed to create a Traceability Lot Code by FSMA 204

- Initial Packing (must create TLC)
- Transformation (must create TLC)
- Shipping (Cannot create TLC)
- Receiving (Cannot create TLC)



TRACEABILITY LOT CODE SOURCE

- The traceability lot code source is the place where a food was assigned a traceability lot code (packing location).
- It is the entity that assigned the lot code, not the person.
 - Name of Packing Facility or Ranch/Farm (field or greenhouse pack)
 - Address
 - Phone number

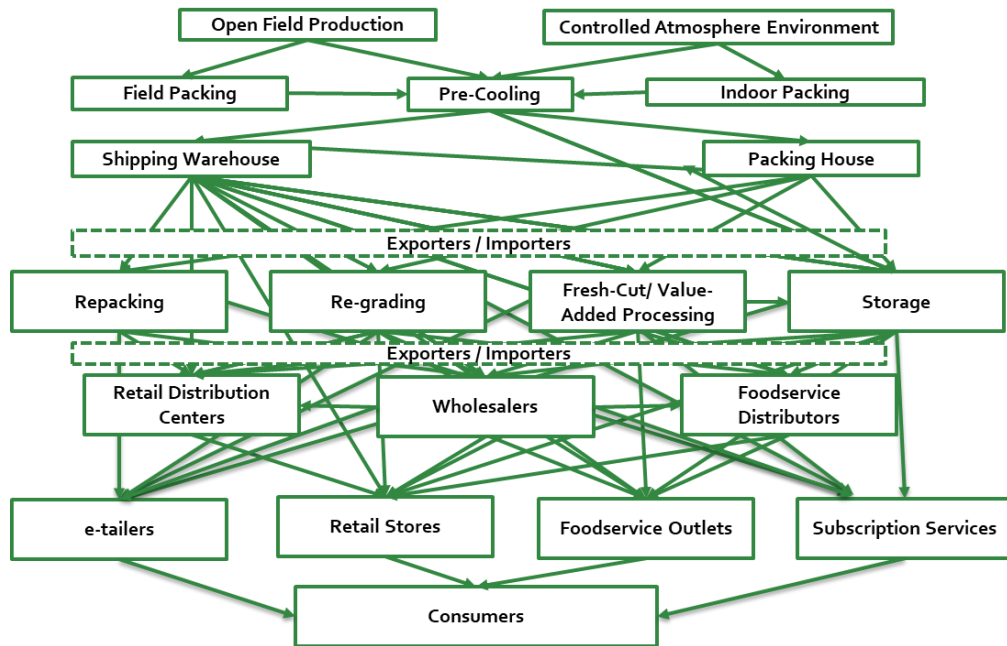


TRACEABILITY LOT CODE SOURCE

- The traceability lot code source must be exchanged between trading partners all the way to the store or restaurant.
- Currently, the most popular way the industry is communicating this information is through EDI using the Advanced Shipment Notification (856) EDI document.



TRACEABILITY LOT CODE SOURCE



FDA will use the TLC Source to contact the location where the product was packed.



YOUR TRACEABILITY PLAN

- Describe how your company identifies items covered by the rule
- Include details of who is collecting and storing the required information for FTL items handled at your company
- Identify who will create the sortable spreadsheet
- Describe how you will keep the specific location of field packed product (TLC Source)
- Identify who will create the electronic sortable spreadsheet. Which systems will be used
- What document types & identifiers will be used
- Where the data & documents are stored





IMPLEMENTATION



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HOW DO YOU GET STARTED?

We recommend you start with the Sortable Spreadsheet.

- Create a list of products received containing FTL items that you ship.
- Determine how you will get the data on who you shipped the product to during the time period.
- Create the data fields for the Traceability Lot Code Source (where it was packed) for each lot.
- Review every data element required in the spreadsheet



ELECTRONIC SORTABLE SPREADSHEETS



If you are involved in a FDA Traceback investigation, FSMA 204 requires Key Data Elements to be submitted in an electronic sortable spreadsheet to FDA within 24 hours.



Initial Packers will have to include KDEs for:

- Harvest
 - Cooling before Initial Packing
 - Storage before Initial Packing
 - Initial Packing
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Processors, Wholesalers, Distributors and Retailers will have to include KDEs for:

- Receiving
- Transformation
- Shipping



CASE AND PALLET LABELING

- There are no specific requirements for case and pallet labeling from the FDA. However, we've put together the following slides to illustrate possible layouts for labels that fit the requirements for the FDA FSMA 204 rule.
- These labels have been derived from standards published from the GSI organization as well as the PTI case label format.



PTI CASE LABEL FORMAT FOR PRODUCE

- Implement Produce Traceability Initiative (PTI):
<https://www.producetraceability.org>
- PTI will cover 90–95% of FSMA 204 requirements
- Use the PTI Harmonized Case Label

Sample Case Label (2" x 4" label size): (Please note

font sizes used are in Swis721 Cn BT – If a different font is used please strive to maintain a similar size.)

The use of native fonts on your thermal barcode printer are recommended.

FINAL

GS1-128 Barcode including:
GTIN, Date (AI 13 or 15), Lot Number (Font Size 10)

(01)10074130011192(13)240322(10)2071231339

STRAWBERRIES (BAIES FRAISES)
1LB (16oz) CLAMSHELL / 8 CT CARTON

GROWN IN/CULTIVÉ EN CALIFORNIA, USA

DOLE
GRADE A / CATÉGORIE A
DDNA, MONTEREY, CA 93901

PICK DATE / EMPAQUETÉ LE **Mar22**

0 71430 01119 5

94 95

Human Readable Date
Harvest Date OR Pack
Date OR Best if Used
By / Use By/Best
Before Date
(Font Size 9)
Date Font Size 14

Voice Pick Code
(Black Text in White
Box)
(Font Sizes:
Small numbers 14,
large 24)

Name/Variety of Item (Font Size 18),
Size/Packaging (Font Size 18), Grown in State/Province
Country (Font Size 14), Grade (if required Font Size 10),
& Responsible Party (Font Size 12)

**PLU Number for Case Containing Bulk Items OR
UPC Barcode for Cases Containing Prepacks**



Sample GS1 128 Case Label with 2D Code

Product Identification Key Data Elements



GS1 128

(01)10074130011192(13)250522(10)207123

STRAWBERRIES

1LB (16OZ) CLAMSHELL/8 CT CARTON

GROWN IN CALIFORNIA, USA

Best Berries, Inc., Salinas, CA 93962

Lot ↓

207123

Pack Date

May 22



Traceability Lot Code =
(01) GTIN + (10) LOT NUMBER

Recommend also placing a 2D barcode on the label as well as the industry is moving toward this symbology for added data capacity in the code which can also include GLN information.

Could be Pack Date
(Produce) or Best By Date
(Grocery)

GS1 DataMatrix

Order Selector:

1. Reads last 4 digits of lot code, AI = (10)
- or -
2. Reads entire lot code



Sample GS1 128 Pallet Label

Product Identification Key Data Elements



**Serialized Shipping Container
Code =
(00) SSCC Number**

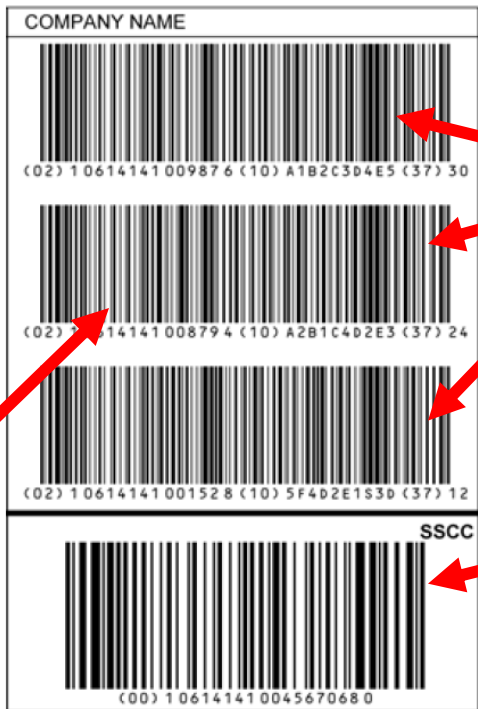
Includes: GS1 Company Prefix,
Serialized Pallet ID, Check Digit

Then, the SSCC is linked to the ASN
which has all the product information
including TLCs, Qty, etc.



Sample PTI Hybrid Pallet Label 4x6"

Product Identification Key Data Elements



**GS1 128 format
barcodes**

Traceability Lot Code =
(02) GTIN + (10) TLC + (37) Item Count

**Serialized Shipping Container
Code =**
(00) SSCC Number

Includes: GS1 Company Prefix,
Serialized Pallet ID, Check Digit

PTI: Hybrid Pallet Label - Example
4" x 6" or A6 (105mm x 148mm) - minimum



INDUSTRY RESOURCES

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IFPA FSMA 204 Resources

<https://www.freshproduce.com/resources/supply-chain-management/fsma-204-resources/>

The collage displays the following resources from the IFPA FSMA 204 Resources website:

- FSMA 204 Resources**: A page titled "SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT" with a navigation bar and a main heading. It states: "The FDA's FSMA 204 Final Food Traceability Rule is in effect now and will start to be enforced on January 20, 2026. This regulation will require all companies..."
- PTI FSMA 204 Electronic Sortable Spreadsheet Templates**: A page titled "PTI FSMA 204 Electronic Sortable Spreadsheet Templates" with a subheading: "The Final Rule requires that PTIs must provide an electronic sortable spreadsheet containing information FDA requests on CTEs involving particular PTI foods for the date ranges or traceability lot codes specified in our request." It features three icons: **Harvester/Cooler/Initial Packer/Transformer**, **Receiver**, and **Shipping**.
- Traceability Lot Code Source and Reference Guidance**: A page titled "PTI FSMA 204" with a subheading: "Traceability Lot Code Source and Reference Guidance". It includes a "Why and How to Use LPI 856" icon and a "Advance Ship Notice/Manifest Transaction" icon. It states: "This guidance, from the PTI FSMA Working Group, aids in understanding Traceability Lot Code (TLC) Source and Source Reference." and "This document outlines EDI Advance Ship Notice (ASN) basics, its implementation benefits, and its capability to capture GTIN and Batch/Lot Numbers using a single pallet barcode."
- FDA have created resources to assist companies implement the changes required for compliance**: A page titled "FDA have created resources to assist companies implement the changes required for compliance" with four columns: **Frequently Asked Questions**, **What Critical Tracking Events (CTEs) do you conduct?**, **What Key Data Elements (KDEs) do you already maintain?**, and **Food Traceability List**.
- The Produce Traceability Initiative created the following resources to assist with the implementation of FSMA 204:**: A page titled "The Produce Traceability Initiative created the following resources to assist with the implementation of FSMA 204:" with a subheading: "PTI FSMA 204 Implementation Guidance". It states: "This guideline by the PTI FSMA Working Group aids in implementing the FSMA Final Rule on Traceability Records for Specific Foods." and features a compass icon.
- Final Distributor, Retail Store, Foodservice Operation / Restaurant**: A page with three icons: **Final Distributor**, **Retail Store**, and **Foodservice Operation / Restaurant**.
- Where does FSMA 204 apply? Does FSMA 204 apply to my company? Your traceability plan must include the following? How long and where to store records?**: A page with four questions in a list: "Where does FSMA 204 apply?", "Does FSMA 204 apply to my company?", "Your traceability plan must include the following", and "How long and where to store records?".
- Frequently Asked Questions, What Critical Tracking Events (CTEs) do you conduct?, What Key Data Elements (KDEs) do you already maintain?, Food Traceability List**: A page with four columns: **Frequently Asked Questions**, **What Critical Tracking Events (CTEs) do you conduct?**, **What Key Data Elements (KDEs) do you already maintain?**, and **Food Traceability List**.



PTI FSMA 204 RESOURCES

Valuable Information Including

- FSMA 204 Implementation Guidance
 - English and Spanish
- FSMA 204 TLC Source and Reference Guidance
- Best Practices for Formatting Case Labels
- Why and How to Use EDI 856 ASN
- FSMA 204 Electronic Sortable Spreadsheets
- Using GS1 Standards to Support FSMA 204
- GLN Guidance to Support FSMA 204



Produce Traceability Initiative FSMA 204 Implementation Guidance

(Revision: Original)

About this Implementation Guidance

Implementation guidance comprises generally accepted, informally standardized techniques, methods or processes that have proven themselves over time to accomplish given tasks. The idea is that with proper processes, checks and testing, a desired outcome can be delivered more effectively with fewer problems and unforeseen complications. In addition, implementation guidance can evolve to become better as improvements are discovered.

The Produce Traceability Initiative (PTI) is a voluntary U.S. produce initiative. This Implementation Guidance document represents the recommendations created and agreed to by stakeholders in all facets of the produce industry supply chain and Produce Traceability Initiative (PTI) Leadership Council, developed through a collaborative effort of 108 volunteers from 60 different companies and 9 trade associations.

Consent between trading partners may replace specific recommendations if the minimum traceability information requirements are met in good faith.

Disclaimer: Each company is individually responsible for meeting all statutory and/or regulatory requirements for their company and products. Company legal counsel or compliance team (regulatory or quality) should be consulted for more specific information about current statutory and regulatory requirements applicable.

FDA does not require a specific application or technology for keeping records ([FDA Food Traceability Rule FAQ TG.1](#)) to meet the Final Food Traceability Rule (FSMA 204). Also, FDA does not require that the Traceability Lot Code is included on the product label or packaging ([FDA Food Traceability Rule FAQ TTLC3](#)).



PTI FSMA 204 RESOURCES

[PTI FSMA 204 TLC Source and Reference Guidance](#)

- A TLC Source Reference can be used
 - FDA Facility Registration Number (FFRN)
 - URL (where FDA can enter GTIN/Lot)
 - GLN (specific to the packing location)



Produce Traceability Initiative FSMA 204 Traceability Lot Code Source and Reference Guidance

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Revision History

This section itemizes the changes from the last published Implementation Guidance.



Traceability Plan – Initial Packers

Describe how your company will receive and store the Harvest, Pre-Cooling and Storage before packing data.

- Who harvested
- When harvested
- What was harvested
- How much was harvested
- When it was pre-cooled
- Where it was pre-cooled
- Contact information of pre-cool location
- How much was stored
- When it was stored in/out
- Where it was stored
- Contact information of storage location
- How much was stored



Traceability Plan – Initial Packers

Describe how your company will share the Shipping KDEs with all shipments of FTL items.

- Which systems will be used
- What document types & identifiers will be used
- Where the data & documents are stored