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**D. R. Schaal Agency, Inc.**  
Federal Licensed Grain Inspectors

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**Grain Inspection Fees and Charges**

**Effective Date:** January 1, 2022. The Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) must approve all fees for official services and Official Agencies (OAs) will assess only those fees appearing on their current approved fee schedule. State and local taxes will be added as required.

**Regular Hours and Hourly Rates:** Iowa Lab: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., New Jersey, Georgia and South Carolina Labs: 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (first eight consecutive hours within regular business hour), Monday through Friday, except Holidays. All hourly charges will be assessed in quarter hour increments, per individual necessary to perform the service.

**Iowa:** Inspector / Technician / Weigher / Sampler: \$27.56/hour

**New Jersey:** Inspector / Sampler / Technician / Weigher: \$47.19 / hour

**Georgia and South Carolina:** Inspector / Sampler / Technician / Weigher: \$36.28 / hour

**Onsite Lab Staffing:** Applicable hourly rate, per person and is subject to overtime, Holiday / Sunday rates. Basis will include travel time, mileage and unit fees.

**Overtime Hourly Rate:** One and one half regular hourly rate assessed in quarter hour increments in addition to unit fees, for work performed on Saturday and other than regular hours.

**Holiday / Sunday Hourly Rate:** Double regular hourly rate assessed in quarter hour increments in addition to unit fees. Holidays are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and after 12:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. The observance of holidays that fall on weekends will follow Federal protocol.

**Callout Time:** A minimum of 4 hours per person will be assessed at the applicable hourly rate when requests for service are withdrawn or in the event of request resulting in personnel returning to duty after dismissal.

**Standby / Travel time:** Assessed per individual at applicable hourly rates for applicant caused delays.

**Mileage:** The Internal Revenue Service standard rate will be the maximum assessed for all services performed basis service point's lab and prorated whenever possible. Any change to the mileage rate is possible when the IRS changes their standard mileage rate.



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**Personnel Safety:** It is the customer's responsibility to make the grain, commodity or stowage area safely accessible. Agency employees do not open or close doors or lids on railcars or shipping containers. There must be a minimum of two people at all times on top of railcars and in the immediate vicinity at facilities where services are being performed. This can be two Agency employees or one Agency employee and one customer employee. This is to 'render aid if needed' or to call for assistance.

**Weather Policy:** Agency will adhere to the following inclement weather policy: Sampling and stowage examination requests may be delayed, curtailed or dismissed when any of the following conditions exist: High winds, rainfall/snow that creates conditions that are dangerous to employee and/or facility specific conditions that could put employees providing services in jeopardy. Adequate lighting must be provided when onsite services are requested after sunset. Agency will abide by federal, state and local authorities in regard to voluntary and/or mandatory evacuations in the event of severe weather or other natural disasters.

**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.



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**Official Inspection Services:** In addition to the following unit fees, inspector, technician, sampler, travel, standby time and mileage will be assessed for all services, unless noted.

Railcars, per car	\$19.85
Truck/trailer, per carrier	\$14.89
Containers, per container	\$18.56
Submitted Samples, per sample	\$12.13
Sampling Only, per unit *	\$13.23
Stowage Examination Only, per container *	\$ 7.72
Reinspection basis official file sample, per sample	\$12.13
Reinspection basis new sample	Same fee as original inspection
Factor Only, maximum two factors*	\$11.07
Factor Only, three or more factors*	Applicable full grade fee
Waxy Corn determination, per sample *	\$15.44
Stress Crack Analysis, per sample *	\$15.44
FGIS Official Weight Certificate, per unit, includes stowage fee*	\$13.49
FGIS Official Weight Certificate, per unit, Inbound*	\$6.07
Protein / Oil, per sample*	\$13.50
Mycotoxin Test, per sample, includes labor *	\$36.75
Checktesting mechanical or D/T samplers and/or onsite lab equipment, Checkloading, Checkweighing COFC (FSA)	\$63.00
Witness fumigation, per carrier	\$6.34
Seed Sizing, per request	\$28.35

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Official Services not covered by the above fees will be charged at the appropriate hourly rate.  
 Official Commercial Inspections are offered and fees will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.  
 \*Services will be assessed the applicable FGIS tonnage fee when not done in conjunction with official grading.



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**Other services not covered under the United States Grain Standards Act:**

Certified weights, per unit .....	\$4.99
Mailing samples to industries, per sample .....	\$3.31 plus postage
GMO Test, per test .....	\$36.75 plus cost of test kit
Export surcharge, per railcar outbound .....	\$2.73
Letterhead statement, per request .....	\$55.13
Combine sublots for further industry testing .....	\$11.03
Security Seals, Plastic , per seal .....	\$1.00
High Security Seals, per seal .....	\$2.00
Corrected/Duplicate Certificate, per certificate .....	\$2.65
Rush order, in addition to applicable unit fees .....	\$50.00
Additional Document research at local hourly rates	

Grain Grading Seminars may be negotiated. The cost will be \$84.00 per hour for each instructor, plus mileage and \$10.50 per attendee. Maximum four attendees per instructor.

Toll road charges will be charged back to applicants as they occur.

Other expenses such as mileage, sample delivery, postage, etc., will be charged for other services not covered under the USGSA in addition to the unit fees listed in the schedule. Per diem of \$52.50 plus \$157.50 hotel charge (or actual cost of hotel), per person for overnight assignments. If Agency's FedEx account is used for shipping there will be a 10% markup added.