

**21—47.9(190C) Fees.** Fees are established for application, inspection, and certification to support costs associated with activities necessary to administer this program pursuant to Iowa Code sections 190C.5(1) to 190C.5(3). The applicant shall submit all fees to the department for the specific amount and at the appropriate time as specified in this rule. A schedule of application, inspection and certification fees shall be published by the department and disseminated with the application packet.

**47.9(1) Application fee.** The application fee shall accompany the application for certification. An additional late fee shall accompany applications submitted after the published deadline date.

**47.9(2) Inspection fee.** An inspection fee shall be paid by all on-farm production operations; on-farm processing operations; off-farm and nonfarm processing operations; and handling operations. This fee covers the cost of providing the inspection. A base inspection fee will be listed on the fee schedule provided to each applicant; however, if the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount listed, the applicant shall be required to pay the balance.

*a.* An inspection fee shall be assessed to the producer, processor or handler if additional inspections are conducted due to the necessity of a follow-up inspection in the same year or due to the inspection of distinct multiple production or processing sites.

*b.* The inspection fee shall be submitted after the application has been reviewed to determine that all necessary documents have been provided.

**47.9(3) Certification fees.** Certification fees may be adjusted annually pursuant to Iowa Code section 190C.5(2). The certification fee is assessed annually.

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