

GRAIN DEALERS ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 141 of 1939

285.76 Records and accounts.

Sec. 16. (1) A licensee shall keep a complete and accurate set of records and accounts of all transactions pertaining to the operation of each facility, including, but not limited to, records and accounts of all farm produce received in or withdrawn from a facility, of all unissued warehouse receipts and acknowledgment forms in the grain dealer's possession, and of all issued warehouse receipts and acknowledgment forms, copies of all contracts, and any warehouse receipts and acknowledgment forms returned to and settled by the licensee. A grain dealer shall retain a paper copy or a copy stored in electronic or other form of a warehouse receipt, acknowledgment form, or other document evidencing ownership of any farm produce or liability as a grain dealer for at least the period that the document is outstanding, and if the document has been canceled, for a period of not less than 3 years from the date of cancellation. A grain dealer shall retain any other records and the accounts for at least 7 years.

(2) A licensee shall keep its records and accounts concerning its farm produce handling business separate and distinct from the records and accounts of any other business conducted by the licensee.

(3) The department may examine the records and accounts pertaining to the grain dealer's farm produce handling business at any time during normal business hours.

(4) A grain dealer shall not intentionally maintain false or misleading books and records. A grain dealer who violates this subsection is subject to the penalty described in section 23.

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