

## USDA RATINGS

E - EMPLOYEE HAND CARE

El - Handwashing compounds for use in all departments.

The compounds must be dispensed from adequate dispensers located a sufficient distance from the processing line to prevent accidental product contamination. After the use of the compounds, the hands must be thoroughly rinsed with potable water. Under conditions of use, there can be no odor or fragrance left on the hands.

E2 - Handwashing and sanitizing compounds.

The compounds must be dispensed from adequate dispensers located a sufficient distance from the processing line to prevent accidental product contamination. The hands need not be washed prior to the use of the compounds. After the use of the compounds, the hands must be thoroughly rinsed with potable water.

E3 - Hand sanitizing compounds.

The hands must be washed and thoroughly rinsed prior to sanitizing with the compound. The compound may be injected directly into the wash and rinse water. The hands need not be rinsed with potable water following the use of the compound.

E4 - Hand creams, lotions, and cleaners.

The use of such compounds is limited to toilets and dressing rooms. Employees who handle edible products may use the compounds only when leaving the plant.

 $\underline{C}$  - This means these compounds must be used in areas designated as "inedible" or "non-processing" areas.

All of our powders have a C2 listing. This means that the compounds or powders are for use in toilets and/or dressing rooms of establishments operating under the Federal meat, poultry, shell egg grading, and egg products inspections program.