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Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) Resources for Fruit and Vegetable Producers

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http://mda.maryland.gov/foodfeedquality/Pages/good_ag_practices.aspx

Agreement with USDA to provide GAP auditors for the USDA GAP and Harmonized Standards Program
Worker Hygiene Training Materials – DVDs and signs – Provided at no charge to Fruit and Vegetable Producers
Cost share for USDA GAP and Harmonized audit costs
Cost share for implementation of GAP practices (Limited funds available)
GAPs Training
MDA GAPs for Direct Marketers

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GAPs Training and Resources
Assistance to fruit and vegetable producers with writing Food Safety Plans

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<http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/gapghp>

USDA GAP Audit Checklists, Guides to USDA Audits
Lists of Producers USDA GAP Certified
FDA's Guide to Minimize Microbial Food Safety Hazards

National GAPs Program

<http://www.gaps.cornell.edu/>

GAPs Training
Downloadable record keeping forms
Links to GAPs Information
Educational Materials

UMass GAPs Food Safety Manual

<http://www.umassextension.org/nutrition/index.php/programs/food-safety/programs/good-agricultural-practices/gap-manual>

Record keeping forms
Guide to developing a food safety plan
Examples of food safety plans for download and use

Washington State GAP/GHP Audit Verification Program

http://agr.wa.gov/inspection/fvinspection/docs/GHP_GAP_Presentation.pdf

Section-by-section briefing of the USDA GAPs audit form
How to prepare for a food safety audit