Working Together for FSMA 204 and Enhanced Food Traceability

Join the FSMA 204 Workgroup

GS1 Standards are widely adopted in the food supply chain and enable unique identification for critical tracking events and key data elements (CTEs/KDEs), essential for farm-to-fork traceability. Industry leaders, along with GS1 US, have come together to determine how to leverage your existing investment in GS1 Standards to meet the Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) 204 requirements. The FSMA 204 Workgroup operates under the structure of GS1 US industry initiatives for retail grocery and foodservice.

The food industry is being asked to keep additional records of foods that are deemed high risk. Challenges can be unique for each supply chain partner.

As an upstream provider, such as a farm or fishery, do you want to influence how standards are used in upstream production? Are you concerned about how the specific nuances in your supply chain processes need to comply with FSMA 204?

As a manufacturer, have you considered the product data that you will be required to capture and share? Help continue to lead the conversation on the supply chain scenarios and factors that your trading partners need to consider.

As a food outlet, are you prepared for the additional data trading partners will need to send you as part of the new requirements? This is an opportunity to provide input on how standardized data impacts your operations.

As an association or university, do you have best practices or research that will help accelerate industry and want your learnings to inform the industry direction?
Together, we will continue to leverage GS1 Standards to help meet FSMA 204 requirements by:

- Mapping existing supply chain processes and assigning specific CTE/KDEs within business process examples.
- Publishing industry guidance and tools using GS1 Standards to meet FSMA 204 requirements.
- Continuing to shape the vision of how information about products, locations, and business transactions can be identified, captured, and shared in order to help meet FSMA 204 requirements.
- Access the latest GS1 US FSMA 204 Resources [here](#).

To participate in the FSMA 204 Workgroup, your company needs to be a member in good standing in either of the following:

- GS1 US Retail Grocery Initiative
- Foodservice GS1 US Standards Initiative
- GS1 US Solution Partner – Silver level membership

If you would like to join the workgroup, please contact Lucelena Angarita at lAngarita@gs1us.org or Manali Pradhan at mpradhan@gs1us.org to get started.

About Us
GS1 US collaborates with business and industry to encourage the adoption and use of GS1 Standards-based solutions that can help improve business processes. The standards help support many regulatory compliance requirements for a number of industries including healthcare and the food industry. Through our industry initiatives program, GS1 US collaboratively works with industries and stakeholders to address challenges and meet goals through standards-based solutions. To learn more about GS1 US and how we’re collaborating with industry visit gs1us.org/foodsafety.