

RANDOM NUMBER GENERATION WEBSITES – STATIONARY LOTS

Effective immediately, it is permissible to use the websites listed below to generate random numbers when selecting official samples for stationary lot grading. Graders may continue to use the hand held calculators if they prefer. Since most of the newer calculators are no longer capable of generating an “audit number” for traceability, it will not be necessary to record the audit number on the worksheets, even if the calculator can return an audit number. All other procedures for stationary lot sampling in Section 7 of the Shell Egg Graders Handbook are to be followed.

Approved websites:

www.random.org

www.randomnumbergenerator.com

www.andrew.hedges.name/experiments/random

Each website has a minimum and maximum number range. The minimum will always be 1, and the maximum will be the total number of cases in the lot. Repeated clicking of the “generate” or “get random” button will return random numbers to be recorded on the sample selection worksheets.

Only the websites listed here are approved for generating random numbers for official samples. The Shell Egg Handbook, Section 7 will be updated shortly to reflect this change. Meanwhile, this instruction will be posted on AGNIS as H-07a in the Handbook section.



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