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TABLE IV—Continued

Product name ¹	Minimum percent cooked deboned poultry meat of kind indi- cated	Minimum percent cooked poultry of kind indi- cated, indi- cating bone
(Kind) Cacciatore (Kind) Fricassee (Kind) A-La-King (Kind) croquettes Slice (Kind) with Gravy and	20 20 20 25	40 40
Dressing	25 25 28 30 35 40	

¹ The product name may contain other appropriate descrip-tive terms such as "noodle"; e.g., "Chicken Noodle Soup." ² This standard also applies to products named (Kind) with rice or similar starches. ³ The 25 percent-standard listed includes poultry meat plus

proportions of skin and fat natural to the poultry used.

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§381.168 Maximum percent of skin in certain poultry products.

The poultry products listed in Table V shall have not more than the percent of skin specified in the table, when raw and when cooked.

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Product name	Percent skin		
Product name	Raw	Cooked	
Boneless Turkey Breast			
or			
Boneless Turkey Breast Roll	14		
Boneless Turkey Thigh			
or			
Boneless Turkey Thigh Roll	8		
Boneless Turkey			
or			
Turkey Roll	15		
Boneless Chicken Breast			
or			
Boneless Chicken Breast Roll	18	20	
Boneless Chicken			
or			
Chicken Roll	20	25	

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§381.170 Standards for kinds and classes, and for cuts of raw poultry.

(a) The following standards specify the various classes of the specified kinds of poultry and the requirements for each class:

(1) Chickens—(i) Rock Cornish game hen or Cornish game hen. A "Rock Cornish game hen'' or "Cornish game hen"

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is a young, immature chicken (less than 5 weeks of age), of either sex, with a ready-to-cook carcass weight of not more than 2 pounds.

(ii) Broiler or fryer. A "broiler" or 'fryer'' is a young chicken (less than 10 weeks of age), of either sex, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smoothtextured skin and flexible breastbone cartilage.

(iii) Roaster or roasting chicken. A "roaster" or "roasting chicken" is a young chicken (less than 12 weeks of age), of either sex, with a ready-tocook carcass weight of 5.5 pounds or more, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin and breastbone cartilage that is somewhat less flexible than that of a broiler or fryer.

(iv) Capon. A "capon" is a surgically neutered male chicken (less than 4 months of age) that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin.

(v) Hen, fowl, baking chicken, or stew-ing chicken. A "hen," "fowl," "baking chicken," or "stewing chicken" is an adult female chicken (more than 10 months of age) with meat less tender than that of a roaster or roasting chicken and a nonflexible breastbone tip.

(vi) Cock or rooster. A "cock" or "rooster" is an adult male chicken with coarse skin, toughened and darkened meat, and a nonflexible breastbone tip.

(2) Turkeys—(i) Fryer-roaster turkey. A 'fryer-roaster turkey'' is an immature turkey (less than 12 weeks of age), of either sex, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin, and flexible breastbone cartilage.

(ii) Young turkey. A "young turkey" is a turkey (less than 8 months of age), of either sex, that is tender-meated with soft, pliable, smooth-textured skin and breastbone cartilage that is less flexible than that of a fryer-roaster turkev.

(iii) Yearling turkey. A "yearling turkey" is a turkey (less than 15 months of age), of either sex, that is reasonably tender-meated with reasonably smooth-textured skin.

(iv) Mature or old (hen or tom) turkey. A "mature turkey" or "old turkey" is an adult turkey (more than 15 months

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of age), of either sex, with coarse skin and toughened flesh. Sex designation is optional.

(3) Ducks—(i) Duckling. A "duckling" is a young duck (less than 8 weeks of age), of either sex, that is tendermeated and has a soft bill and soft windpipe.

(ii) *Roaster duck*. A "roaster duck" is a young duck (less than 16 weeks of age), of either sex, that is tendermeated and has a bill that is not completely hardened and a windpipe that is easily dented.

(iii) Mature duck or old duck. A "mature duck" or an "old duck" is an adult duck (more than 6 months of age), of either sex, with toughened flesh, a hardened bill, and a hardened windpipe.

(4) Geese—(i) Young goose. A "young goose" is an immature goose, of either sex, that is tender-meated and has a windpipe that is easily dented.

(ii) *Mature goose or old goose*. A "mature goose" or "old goose" is an adult goose, of either sex, that has toughened flesh and a hardened windpipe.

(5) *Guineas*—(i) *Young guinea*. A "young guinea" is an immature guinea, of either sex, that is tender-meated and has a flexible breastbone cartilage.

(ii) Mature guinea or old guinea. A "mature guinea" or "old guinea" is an adult guinea, of either sex, that has toughened flesh and a non-flexible breastbone.

(b) The following standards specify the requirements for the specified cuts of poultry:

(1) "Breasts" shall be separated from the back at the shoulder joint and by a cut running backward and downward from that point along the junction of the vertebral and sternal ribs. The ribs may be removed from the breasts, and the breasts may be cut along the breastbone to make two approximately equal halves; or the wishbone portion, as described in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, may be removed before cutting the remainder along the breastbone to make three parts. Pieces cut in this manner may be substituted for lighter or heavier pieces for exact weight-making purposes and the package may contain two or more of such parts without affecting the appropriateness of the labeling as e.g., "chicken breasts." Neck

skin shall not be included with the breasts, except that "turkey breasts" may include neck skin up to the whisker.

(2) "Breasts with ribs" shall be separated from the back at the junction of the vertebral ribs and back. Breasts with ribs may be cut along the breastbone to make two approximately equal halves; or the wishbone portion, as described in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, may be removed before cutting the remainder along the breastbone to make three parts. Pieces cut in this manner may be substituted for lighter or heavier pieces for exact weight-making purposes and the package may contain two or more of such parts without affecting the appropriateness of the labeling as "breasts with ribs." Neck skin shall not be included, except that "turkey breasts with ribs" may include neck skin up to the whisker.

(3) "Wishbones" (Pulley Bones), with covering muscle and skin tissue, shall be severed from the breast approximately halfway between the end of the wishbone (hypocledium) and front point of the breastbone (cranial process of the sternal crest) to a point where the wishbone joins the shoulder. Neck skin shall not be included with the wishbone.

(4) "Drumsticks" shall be separated from the thigh by a cut through the knee joint (femorotibial and patellar joint) and from the hock joint (tarsal joint).

(5) "Thighs" shall be disjointed at the hip joint and may include the pelvic meat, but shall not include the pelvic bones. Back skin shall not be included.

(6) "(Kind) legs" shall be the poultry product which includes the thigh and the drumstick, i.e., the whole leg, and may include the pelvic meat, but shall not include the pelvic bones. Back skin shall not be included.

(7) "Wings" shall include the entire wing with all muscle and skin tissue intact, except that the wingtip may be removed.

(8) "Backs" shall include the pelvic bones and all the vertebrae posterior to the shoulder joint. The meat shall not be peeled from the pelvic bones. The vertebral ribs and/or scapula may be removed or included without affecting §381.171

the appropriateness of the name. Skin shall be substantially intact.

(9) "Stripped backs" shall include the vertebrae from the shoulder joint to the tail, and include the pelvic bones. The meat may be stripped off of the pelvic bones.

(10) "Necks", with or without neck skin, shall be separated from the carcass at the shoulder joint.

(11) "Halves" are prepared by making a full-length back and breast split of an eviscerated poultry carcass so as to produce approximately equal right and left sides.

(12) "Quarters" consist of the entire eviscerated poultry carcass, which has been cut into four equal parts, but excluding the neck.

(13) "Breast quarter" consists of half a breast with the wing and a portion of the back attached.

(14) "Breast quarter without wing" consists of a front quarter of a poultry carcass, from which the wing has been removed.

(15) "Leg quarter" consists of a poultry thigh and drumstick, with a portion of the back attached.

(16) "Thigh with back portion" consists of a poultry thigh with back portion attached.

(17) "Legs with pelvic bone" consists of a poultry leg with adhering meat and skin and pelvic bone.

(18) "Wing drummette" consists of the humerus of a poultry wing with adhering skin and meat attached.

(19) "Wing portion" consists of a poultry wing except that the drummette has been removed.

(20) "Cut-up Poultry" is any cut-up or disjointed portion of poultry or any edible part thereof, as described in this section.

(21) "Giblets" consist of approximately equal numbers of hearts, gizzards, and livers, as determined on a count basis.

(22) "Major portions" of eviscerated poultry carcasses are either carcasses from which parts may be missing, or the front or rear portions of transversely-split carcasses.

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§381.171 Definition and standard for "Turkey Ham."

(a) "Turkey Ham" shall be fabricated from boneless, turkey thigh meat with skin and the surface fat attached to the skin removed. The thighs shall be that cut of poultry described in \$381.170(b)(5) of this part.

(b) The product may or may not be smoked, and shall be cured using one or more of the approved curing agents as provided in a regulation permitting that use in this subchapter or 9 CFR Chapter III, Subchapter E, or in 21 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter A or Subchapter B. The product may also contain cure accelerators, phosphates, and flavoring agents as provided in a regulation permitting that use in this subchapter or 9 CFR Chapter III, Subchapter E, or in 21 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter A or Subchapter B; common salt, sugars, spices, spice extractives, dehydrated garlic, and dehydrated onions; and water for purpose of dissolving and dispersing the substances specified above.

(c) The cooked finished product weight shall be no more than the original weight of the turkey thigh meat used prior to curing.

(d) The product name on the label shall show the word "Turkey" in the same size, style, color, and with the same background as the word "Ham" and shall precede and be adjacent to it.

(e) The product name shall be qualified with the statement "Cured Turkey Thigh Meat." The qualifying statement shall be contiguous to the product name, without intervening type or designs, shall be not less than one-half the size of the product name but not less than one-eighth inch in height, and shall be in the same style and color and with the same background as the product name.

(f) If the product is fabricated from pieces of turkey thigh meat that result from the cutting through the muscle (as opposed the whole thighs intact or whole thighs with some incidental separation of muscle tissue during removal of the bone), the product name shall be further qualified by a descriptive statement. The product name of product fabricated from such pieces of turkey thigh meat equivalent in size to a one-half inch cube or greater shall be further qualified to specify that the