

## From the field to the table:

### Addendum 7, fresh produce and scales

\* Please note: After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the businesses below may not be functioning as before. However, the sizes and equipment specifications remain useful.

Fresh produce need not be sold by weight under Louisiana law but if it is, you must use a scale that can be approved by the LA Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) and you must register it every year with the Department (a \$15 fee will be charged annually). LDAF inspectors can then check and calibrate the scale throughout the year but will not charge you anything beyond the registration fee. (Call Archie Lambert 504-952-8029 at the LDAF for further questions.)

Hanging scales that are “legal for trade” (which means they can be certified by the LDAF) include:

- a Chatillon 20-lb scale measuring in 1/2 oz. increments, costing \$129
- a 40-lb. scale measuring in 1-oz increments, costing \$139

available in Louisiana at:

G. T. Michelli Co.  
130 Brookhollow Esplanade  
Harahan 733-9822

- a Chatillon 20-lb. scale costing \$165 available in Louisiana at:  
Southern Scales and Controls Inc.  
2708 L and A Rd.  
Metairie 833-3333

- a Chatillon 20-lb scale costing \$147 available in Louisiana at:  
Greer Equipment  
1316 Distributors Row,  
Jefferson 734-8981