

Buy American Justification Form

Regulation: 7 CFR Parts 210.21(d) and 220.16(d)

School Food Authority (SFA) Name: _____

Date: 5-13-24	Non-domestic Agricultural Product: Yellow Squash
Storage Area: (examples: dry storage, cooler, freezer) Cooler	Country of Origin (be specific): (examples: grown in Brazil, manufactured in Korea, processed in China, packed in Mexico) Mexico
Reason for exception to Buy American Provision (check applicable box):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cost Analysis: Price of domestic was significantly higher than the non-domestic product; chose non-domestic product Cost per purchase unit for domestic food product: _____ Cost per purchase unit for foreign food product: _____	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seasonality: non-domestic product not available during the following month(s): February-November otherwise product will be purchased when domestically available during the following month(s): December-January	
<input type="checkbox"/> Availability: non-domestic product not grown domestically Reason for choosing a product not grown domestically: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Substitution: distributor received our SFA's pre-approval prior to sending a non-domestic product as a substitution for the domestic product ordered by our SFA (note: if pre-approval was not obtained, the product must be rejected at the time of delivery)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other reason: _____	
Additional Notes: _____ <i>Note: School needs to retain and make notes of communications regarding the reasons for the exception to the Buy American provision. This includes email or procurement notes of discussion regarding alternatives to non-domestic products purchased by the school.</i>	
Food Service Director Signature & Date _____	
SFA Authorized Signature & Date (Required for FSMC) _____	