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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is a USDA Harmonized GAP audit?

The USDA Harmonized GAP audit was developed as part of the Produce GAP Harmonization Initiative, an industry-driven effort to create food safety GAP standards and audit checklists for pre-harvest and postharvest operations. The Initiative is a collaborative effort on the part of growers, shippers, produce buyers, audit organizations, and government agencies, including USDA. The USDA Harmonized GAP audit, in keeping with the Initiative's goals, is a single audit that is applicable to all fresh produce commodities, all sizes of farm operations, and all regions in the United States.

### How does the USDA Harmonized GAP Plus+ service relate to other USDA or