

STANDARDS FOR PRODUCE SAFETY (21 PART 112)

Decision Tree for Test Methods Requirements of *Salmonella* and *E. coli* O157:H7 in Spent Sprout Irrigation Water (or Sprouts)

In accordance with § 112.153(a), spent sprout irrigation water (or in-process sprouts) from each production batch must be tested for *E. coli* O157:H7 and *Salmonella* species using either the method of analysis described in “Testing methodologies for *E. coli* O157:H7 and *Salmonella* species in spent sprout irrigation water (or sprouts)” (§ 112.153(a)(1)); or a scientifically valid method that is at least equivalent to this method in accuracy, precision, and sensitivity (§ 112.153(a)(2)). Below are factors to consider when determining whether a test method may meet the requirements of the Produce Safety Rule.

