

FSMA Final Rule on Requirements for Additional Traceability Records for Certain Foods Glossary

	Description
Sortable spreadsheet	Electronic information that will be required by FDA in the case of a recall or outbreak. In certain circumstances when the public health is threatened, we may request that information about specific foods and specific date ranges (or traceability lot code ranges) be provided to us in an electronic sortable spreadsheet in accordance with § 1.1455(c)(3)(ii), along with any other information needed to understand the information in the spreadsheet. There is no prescription for a specific technology for creating the sortable spreadsheet.
Traceability Lote Code	A descriptor, often alphanumeric, used to uniquely identify a traceability lot within the records of the traceability lot code source (defined below). This is similar to what industry currently refers to as a 'lot' or 'lot code'. https://www.fda.gov/food/food-safety-modernization-act-fsma/traceability-lot-code
Traceability Plan	The Traceability Plan is a document required by the Traceability Rule that reflects the current practices specific to the covered entity and describes how the operation create, maintain, and store records, how they identify the food on FTL that is used, how the traceability is created and how the lots are assigned.
Transformation	An event in a food's supply chain that involves manufacturing/processing or changing a food (e.g., by commingling, repacking, or relabeling) or its packaging or packing, when the output is a food on the Food Traceability List (FTL). Transformation does not include the initial packing of a food or activities preceding that event (e.g., harvesting, cooling). https://www.fda.gov/food/food-safety-modernization-act-fsma/fsma-final-rule-requirements-additional-traceability-records-certain-foods