
QAC Step by Step

Edit New SIMS

FGIS *online*



QAC Home page

The screenshot shows the QAC Home page with a navigation bar at the top containing links for Home, About GIPSA, Help, Contact Us, and Logoff. Below the navigation bar is a red header with the text "Quality Assurance Control Home Page" and the version number "0.0.6". The main content area is divided into several sections: Performance, Supervision Samples, Ability, Other, and Administration. A blue arrow points to the "QAC Home" link in the top left corner.

Home | About GIPSA | Help | Contact Us | Logoff

QAC Home 0.0.6

Quality Assurance Control Home Page

Performance Create New Targeted SIMS Edit New SIMS Edit Existing SIMS Create New Targeted STEP Edit New STEP Edit Existing STEP Ability Edit Existing Corrective Action Create New Opinion Edit Existing Opinion Create New OTS Edit Existing OTS Create New PAS Edit Existing PAS Create New Referee Edit Existing Referee Create New Survey Edit Existing Survey Create New Voluntary STEP Edit Existing Voluntary STEP	Supervision Samples Create Domestic Complaint Edit Existing Domestic Complaints Create Foreign Complaint Edit Existing Foreign Complaints Other Early Alert Program Administration SIMS Tolerances SIMS Distribution Rates Random SIMS Stratified Rates Flagged SIMS Profiles Random STEP Submission Rates Flagged STEP Profiles Factor Threshold Score
---	--

GIPSA | USDA.gov
FOIA | Accessibility Statement | Privacy Policy | Non-Discrimination Statement | Information Quality | FirstGov | White House

The small link at the top left (example is “QAC Home”) is called a Breadcrumb. These can be clicked to navigate to other pages or come back “Home”.

Sample Inspection and Monitoring Samples (SIMS)

- ▶ A tool designed to help detect developing problems by collecting information that describes current inspection performance. There are three ways to obtain information for SIMS – Random (RSIMS), Targeted (TSIMS), and Flagged (FSIMS).
- ▶ Targeted SIMS are created with the Create New Targeted SIMS link.
- ▶ Flagged SIMS profiles are created with the Flagged SIMS Profiles link.
- ▶ Once the sample is received by the QAS or GSL, they have the ability to enter their results by clicking the Edit New SIMS or Edit Existing SIMS link.

Edit New SIMS

Quality Assurance Control New SIMS List

SIMS Type:

SIMS Jurisdiction:

Action	QAC ID	SIMS Type	SIMS Status	Service Point	File Sample ID	Sublot #	Load Order Number	Class	Inspection Date	Inspector
Edit	1352	Flagged	New	171696	test			Yellow Corn (YC)	5/18/2010	Berteau, Wade S - 85700
Edit	1333	Flagged	New	170594	51-MP-1		04DW250	Soft Red Winter Wheat (SRW)	4/15/2010	Vial, Mary B - 80031
Edit	1334	Flagged	New	170594	51-MP-2		04DW250	Soft Red Winter Wheat (SRW)	4/15/2010	Vial, Mary B - 80031
Edit	1310	Targeted	New	171696	654			Yellow Corn (YC)	4/12/2010	Berteau, Wade S - 85700
Edit	1330	Targeted	New	171696	951			Yellow Corn (YC)	4/12/2010	Berteau, Wade S - 85700
Edit	1331	Targeted	New	172420	K48718-2	2	04WW183/170-2	Soft Red Winter Wheat (SRW)	4/12/2010	Trufant, Cenada C - 80030
Edit	1332	Targeted	New	172420	K48718-3	3	04WW183/170-2	Soft Red Winter Wheat (SRW)	4/12/2010	Trufant, Cenada C - 80030
Edit	1308	Targeted	New	172420	K48718-1	1	04WW183/170-2	Soft Red Winter Wheat (SRW)	4/11/2010	Trufant, Cenada C - 80030
View	902	Flagged	New	172020	958KZK-39	39	01RS063 LOT #1	Yellow Soybeans (YSB)	1/2/2010	Moses, Robert L - 92888
View	903	Flagged	New	172020	958KZK-38	38	01RS063 LOT #1	Yellow Soybeans (YSB)	1/2/2010	Moses, Robert L - 92888

- Page lists all new SIMS records that have not been supervised.
- User may click the SIMS Type drop down to view a specific type - Random, Targeted, or Flagged.
- User may click the SIMS Jurisdiction drop down to view just the National or Local selections.
- Depending on your rights, the column entitled Action shows either Edit or View.
- View indicates a National sample viewed by user with Local rights.
- Click to pull up the record.

SIMS Edit Screen

Home About GIPSA Help Contact Us Login

QAC Home > New SIMS List > SIMS Edit 0.1.0

**Quality Assurance Control
SIMS Edit**

Sample Not Available:

QAC ID: 1470
Status: New

Sublot Number:
Movement:
Grade: 1
Sample Device:
Carrier ID / Name: EMERY KOEHN CE 267482
Inspector: RAMSEY, DARREN F. - 50656
Inspection Date: 7/2/2009

Supervision Conducted By: OSP
Supervision Inspector:

OSP: Kansas Grain Inspection Service, Inc.
Service Point: 151370
Special Grades: n/a
Class / Subclass: Yellow Corn (YC)
Service Types: Official Submitted (USGSA)
Lot Number:
File Sample ID: 10
Carrier:
Inspection Level: Original
Supervision Special Grade: [Click to edit](#)
Final Class / Subclass:
Supervision Date:

Actionable	Factor (uom)	Original Result	Inspector	Supervision Result	Supervision Inspector	Warning	Action	Corrective Action
	DKT (%)	0.6	RAMSEY, DARREN F. - 50656	<input type="text"/>	Click to edit			

Remarks:

Request VSTEP

Last Modified Date: 8/21/2009 3:13:35 PM

- QAS/GSL/BAR enters the Supervision Result, Inspector number or name, and Date.
- Enter supervision odors (& all non-numeric factors) in Supervision Result.
- QAS/GSL/BAR may create an opinion to the BAR by clicking Create & Attach Opinion.
- QAS may also request this sample to be used as a Voluntary STEP (VSTEP).
- Click More Factors to add additional factors that were missed.
- Otherwise, press Save to save and exit or Return to cancel.
- If no sample is available for review, click Sample Not Available and press Save.

SIMS Edit Screen (cont)

QAC Home > SIMS Search > SIMS List > SIMS Edit

0.1.9

Quality Assurance Control SIMS Edit

Sample Not Available: **OSP:** FGIS - Portland Field Office
QAC ID: 1567 **Service Point:** 361650
Status: Supervised **Special Grades:** n/a
Sublot Number: **Class / Subclass:** Dark Northern Spring Wheat (DNS)
Movement: In **Service Types:** Official Sample-Lot (USGSA)
Grade: 1 **Lot Number:** 200608288948
Sample Device: Mechanical Diverter **File Sample ID:** BARGE ST 35
Carrier ID / Name: BARGE ST 35 **Carrier:** Barge
Inspector: McCaw, Richard D - 92103 **Inspection Level:** Original
Inspection Date: 8/27/2006 **Supervision Special Grade:** [Click to edit](#)
Supervision Conducted By: OSP **Final Class / Subclass:** Dark Northern Spring Wheat (DNS)
Supervision Inspector: 93105 **Supervision Date:** 9/16/2009

Actionable	Factor (uom)	Original Result	Inspector	Supervision Result	Supervision Inspector	Warning	Action	Corrective Action
	HT (%)	0	McCaw, Richard D - 92103	<input type="text" value="0"/>	Newlyn, David A - 93105	0 0.30	0 0.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
	DKT (%)	0	McCaw, Richard D - 92103	<input type="text" value="2"/>	Newlyn, David A - 93105	0.90 3.60	0.10 5.60	<input type="checkbox"/>
	CCL (%)	0	McCaw, Richard D - 92103	<input type="text" value=".1"/>	Newlyn, David A - 93105	0 0.80	0 2.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	WOCL (%)	0	McCaw, Richard D - 92103	<input type="text" value="1.5"/>	Newlyn, David A - 93105	0.40 3.20	0 5.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
	DHV (%)	93	McCaw, Richard D - 92103	<input type="text" value="94"/>	Newlyn, David A - 93105	90.41 96.80	86.50 98.70	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	ODOR (N/A)			<input type="text" value="Musty"/>	Click to edit			<input type="checkbox"/>

[More Factors...](#)

Remarks:

- After Supervision Result is entered, the Warning and Action limits are shown. Factor name will appear in green if outside warning limits or red if outside the action limits.
- QAS/GSL/BAR may click Corrective Action, if warranted.
- If additional factors were added, QAS/GSL/BAR may mark factor as Actionable, if warranted.
- Press Save to save and exit or Return to cancel.

SIMS – Create Corrective Action

Quality Assurance Control
SIMS Edit

SIMS Corrective Action STEP

Sample Not Available:

QAC ID: 1190
Status: Supervised

Sublot Number:
Movement: Out
Grade: 1

Sample Device: Probe
Carrier ID / Name: KO20804
Inspector: WOODS, GARY W - 19234
Inspection Date: 2/9/2010

Supervision Conducted By: OSP
Supervision Inspector: 06697
TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697

OSP: Kansas Grain Inspection Service, Inc.
Service Point: 152820
Special Grades: n/a
Class / Subclass: Yellow Soybeans (YSB)
Service Types: Official Sample-Lot (USGSA)
Lot Number:
File Sample ID: 9
Carrier: Rail
Inspection Level: Original
Supervision Special Grade: [Click to edit](#)
Final Class / Subclass: Yellow Soybeans (YSB)
Supervision Date: 3/23/2010

Actionable	Factor (uom)	Original Result	Inspector	Supervision Result	Supervision Inspector	Warning	Action	Corrective Action
	TW (lb/bu)	56.0	WOODS, GARY W - 19234	57.0	TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697	56.30 57.70	55.60 58.40	<input type="checkbox"/>
	M (%)	11.7	WOODS, GARY W - 19234	11.5	TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697	11.20 11.80	11.00 12.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	DKT (%)	1.3	WOODS, GARY W - 19234	5.6	TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697	3.90 7.60	2.60 9.70	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	FM (%)	0.7	WOODS, GARY W - 19234	1.5	TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697	0.20 0.80	0 1.10	<input type="checkbox"/>
	SPL (%)	5.0	WOODS, GARY W - 19234	6.0	TROWER, ALLEN L - 06697	4.40 7.90	3.10 9.80	<input type="checkbox"/>

Remarks:

- When the QAS/GSL clicks Corrective Action and presses Save, a Corrective Action tab is created.
- The QAS/GSL sends the sample back to the original inspector for a re-pick.
- The re-pick result and the QAS/GSL corrections are entered by clicking "Edit Existing Corrective Action" on the QAC main page.

SIMS – Create Opinion

QAC Home > New SIMS List > SIMS Edit 0.1.0

Quality Assurance Control SIMS Edit

SIMS **Opinion**

Sample Not Available:

QAC ID: 1142 **OSP:** Kansas Grain Inspection Service, Inc.
Status: New **Service Point:** 151060
Special Grades: n/a
Sublot Number: **Class / Subclass:** Hard Red Winter Wheat (HRW)
Movement: Out **Service Types:** Official Sample-Lot (USGSA)
Grade: 1 **Lot Number:**
Sample Device: Mechanical Diverter **File Sample ID:** 30
Carrier ID / Name: UP 91183 **Carrier:** Rail
Inspector: FUNK, BRADLEY T - 02322 **Inspection Level:** Original
Inspection Date: 7/3/2009 **Supervision Special Grade:** [Click to edit](#)
Supervision Conducted By: OSP **Final Class / Subclass:** Hard Red Winter Wheat (HRW)
Supervision Inspector: 01601 **Set** **Supervision Date:** 9/16/2009
DAWSON, RON D - 01601

Actionable	Factor (uom)	Original Result	Inspector	Supervision Result	Supervision Inspector	Warning	Action	Corrective Action	
	DKT (%)	0.0	FUNK, BRADLEY T - 02322	.5	DAWSON, RON D - 01601	0	1.60	0 3.30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	IDK (ct)	2	FUNK, BRADLEY T - 02322	2	DAWSON, RON D - 01601	0	7.00	0 15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

[More Factors...](#)

Remarks:

Windows Internet Explorer [X]

 An Opinion has been created. Opinion ID:257

Request VSTEP

Last Modified Date: 8/21/2009 9:32:34 AM

- When the QAS/GSL clicks Create & Attach Opinion, a popup appears with the new Opinion ID.
- Press OK.
- Click the tab labeled “Opinion”.

SIMS – Create Opinion (cont.)

QAC Home > New SIMS List > Edit Opinion 0.1.0

Quality Assurance Control
Edit Opinion

SIMS Opinion

Opinion ID: 257
Status: Open
OSP: Kansas Grain Inspection Service, Inc.
Service Point: 151060 - COLBY, KS
File Sample ID:

Class/Subclass: Hard Red Winter Wheat (HRW) **Questionable Item:** **BAR Opinion:** n/a
Date: n/a
Inspector: n/a

Factor (uom)	Original Results	BAR Plus	BAR Minus	BAR Result	BAR Pick Result	Remarks
DKT (%)	<input type="text" value=".5"/>			-		I believe this is frost damage
IDK (ct)	<input type="text" value="2"/>			-		

Remarks:

Windows Internet Explorer

?

Are you sure you want to send the BAR opinion request?
After this opinion is sent to the BAR, you will not be able to change:
- Inspector name
- Date
- Original Results

- QAS/GSL should enter any remarks for factor or sample.
- Click “Save & Send BAR Notification”. Popup will ask if you really want to do this.
- Click OK or Cancel.
- If OK is selected, another popup will tell you that an email has been sent to the BAR.
- Press OK.
- Send sample to BAR.

SIMS - Create VSTEP

Sample Not Available: OSP: Lincoln Inspection Service, Inc.
QAC ID: 1005 **Service Point:** 262830
Status: New **Special Grades:** n/a
Sublot Number: **Class / Subclass:** Yellow Soybeans (YSB)
Movement: **Service Types:** Official Submitted (USGSA)
Grade: 2 **Lot Number:**
Sample Device: **File Sample ID:** rrdx 12345
Carrier ID / Name: rrdx 12345 **Carrier:**
Inspector: BARTON, GARY - 19264 **Inspection Level:** Original
Inspection Date: 1/25/2010 **Supervision Special Grade:** [Click to edit](#)
Supervision Conducted By: OSP **Final Class / Subclass:** Yellow Soybeans (YSB) ▼
Supervision Inspector: 19216 **Supervision Date:**
SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216 ▼

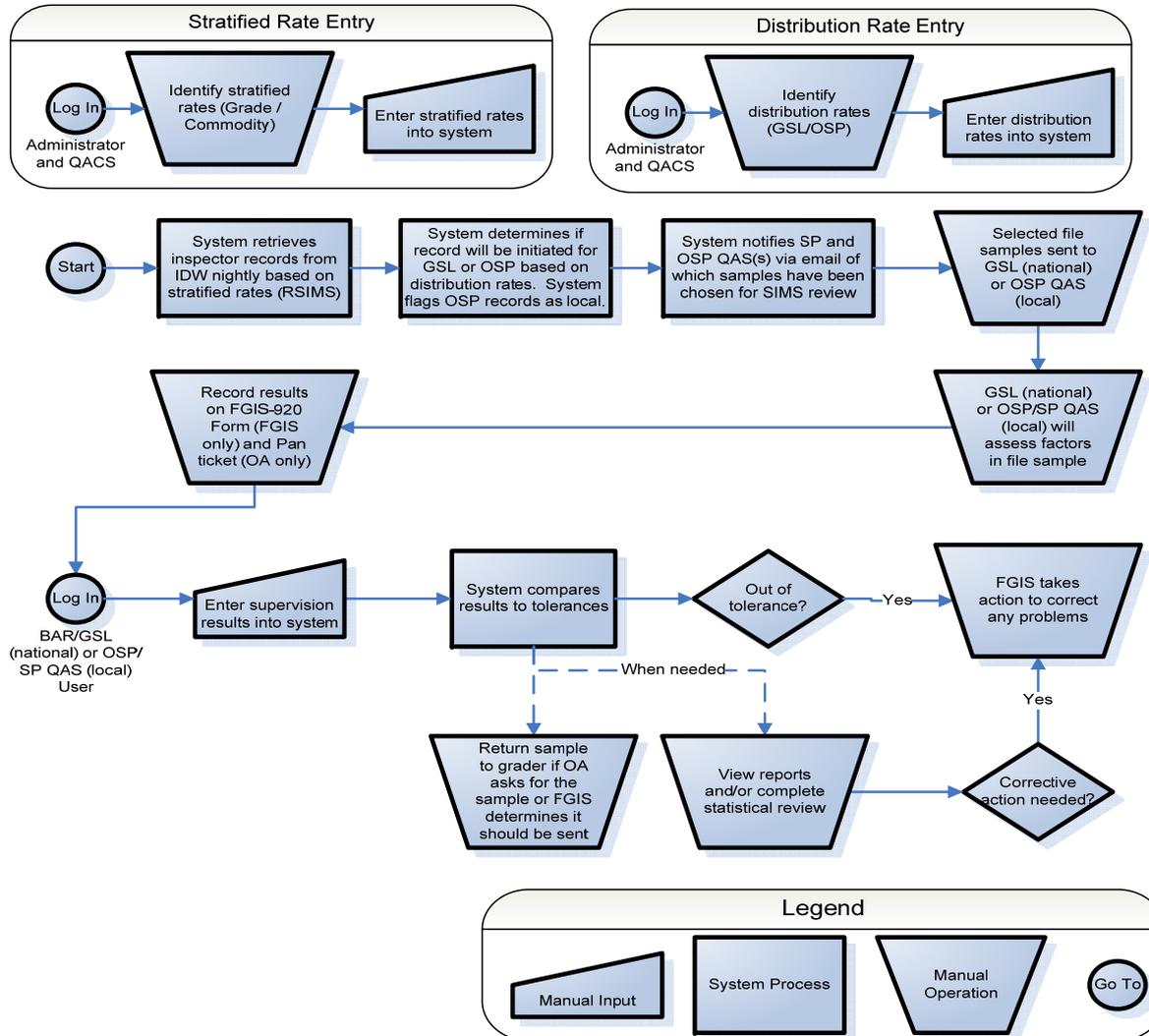
Actionable	Factor (uom)	Original Result	Inspector	Supervision Result	Supervision Inspector	Warning	Action	Corrective Action
	TW (lb/bu)	55	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216			
	M (%)	12.1	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text" value="12.2"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216	11.90 12.50	11.70 12.70	<input type="checkbox"/>
	HT (%)	.2	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text" value=".1"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216	0 0.50	0 1.20	<input type="checkbox"/>
	DKT (%)	.6	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text" value="1.2"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216	0.50 2.20	0 3.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
	SPL (%)	.8	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text" value="1.2"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216	0.60 2.10	0.10 3.30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	SBOC (%)	1	BARTON, GARY - 19264	<input type="text" value="1.1"/>	SCHNIEDER, KEVIN - 19216	0.50 2.00	0.10 3.10	<input type="checkbox"/>

Remarks:

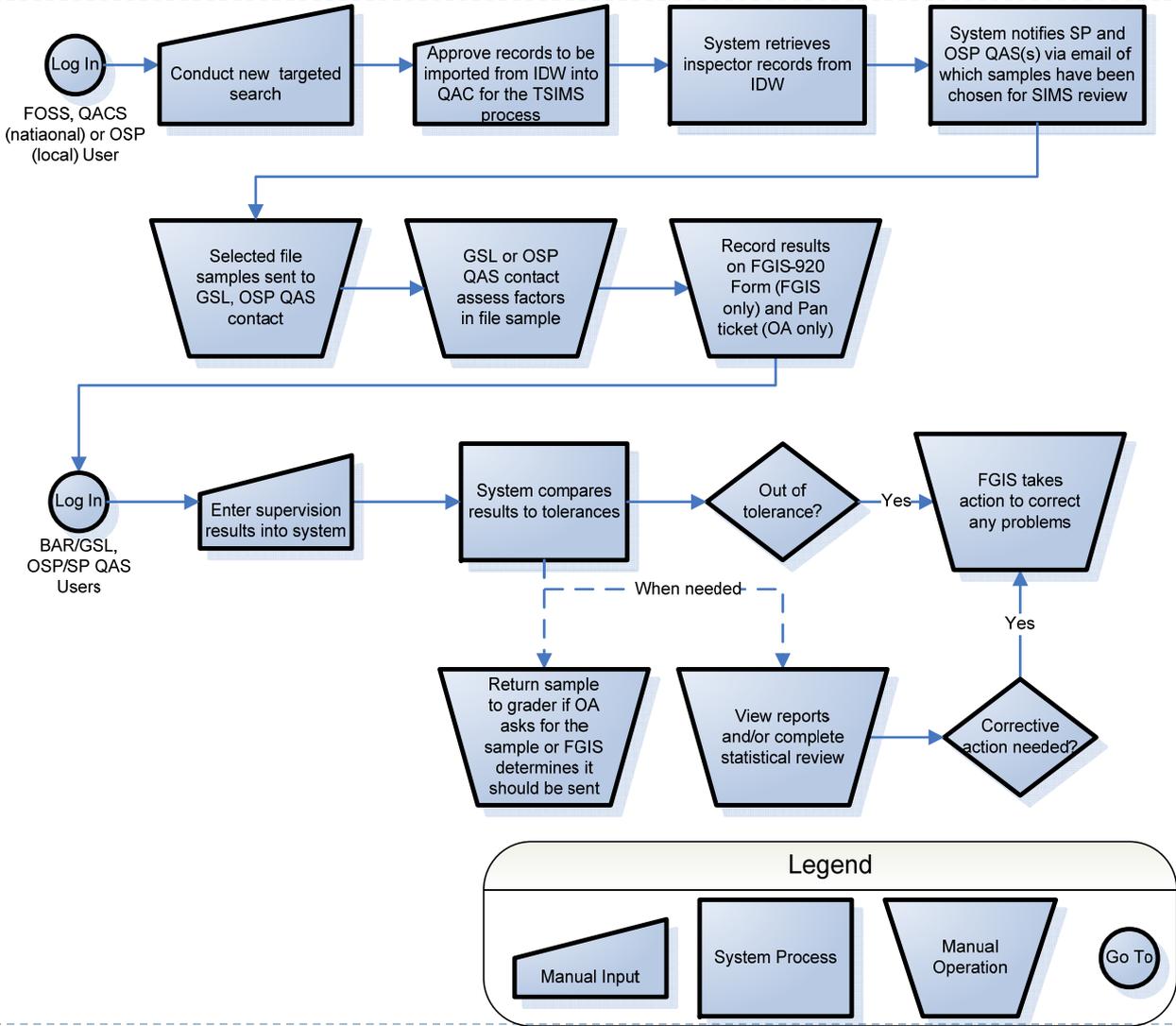
Request VSTEP

- While QAS is entering the Local SIMS results, they can create a VSTEP by checking the box “Request VSTEP”.
- Mail sample and separations to the BAR.
- Press Save to save and exit or Return to cancel.

RSIMS Flow Chart

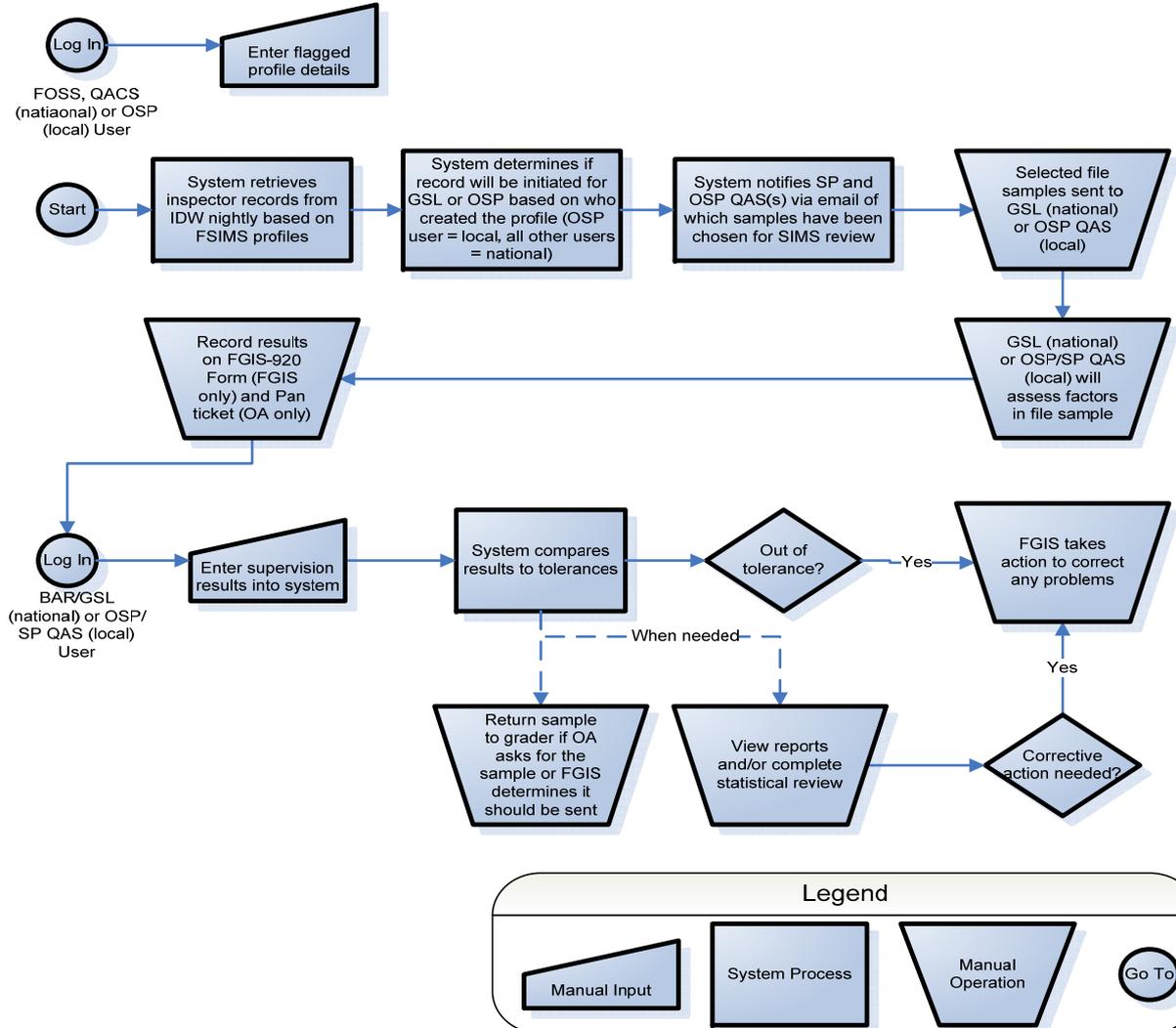


TSIMS Flow Chart



FSIMS Flow Chart

FSIMS Profiles



Contacts

- Comments and Questions can be directed to:

- QAC Program Manager
 - Anita Heckenbach anita.d.heckenbach@usda.gov 816-891-0416
- USDA-FGIS-QACS
 - Ken Critchfield Ken.L.Critchfield@usda.gov (316) 617-3771
- QAC Team members
 - David Ayers cdgid@aol.com
 - Larry Freese Larry.D.Freese@usda.gov

