



United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

**Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards
Specialized Sections on Standardization of
Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
Dry and Dried Produce**

Summary of decisions taken at their 2009 sessions

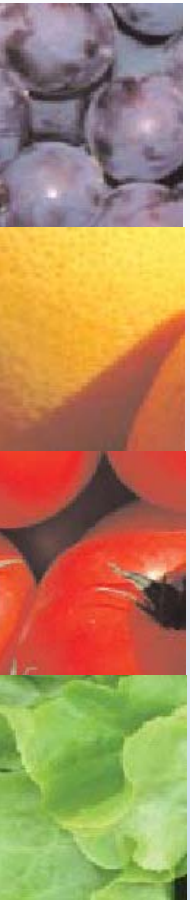
**14th International Training Course
‘Harmonisation of Fruit and Vegetables Quality Assessment’
2009, Mojmirovce, Slovakia**

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UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of FFV Summary of decisions

- The Specialized Section revised the quality tolerances of the Standard Layout for Standards on Fresh Fruit and Vegetables (FFV) and recommended that the Working Party adopt it as a revised Standard Layout.

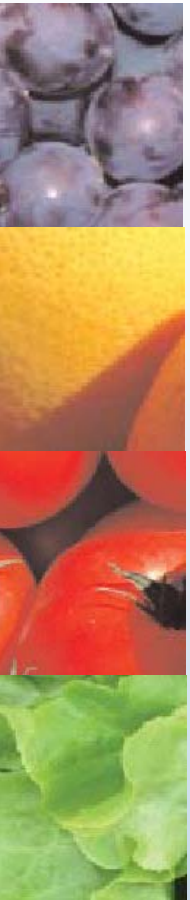




UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of FFV

Summary of decisions

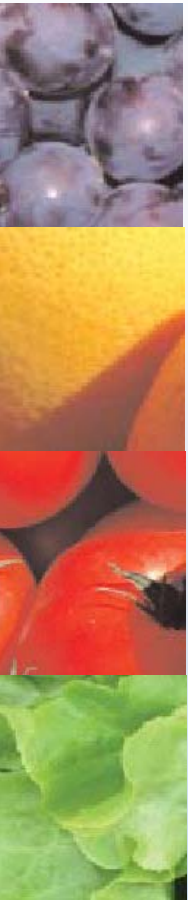
- The Section submitted for approval as revised UNECE standards the amended texts of:
 - Apples
 - Pears*
 - Avocados
 - Citrus fruit*
 - Tomatoes
 - Apricots
 - Sweet peppers





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- The Section submitted for approval as new UNECE standard the text of Chanterelles.



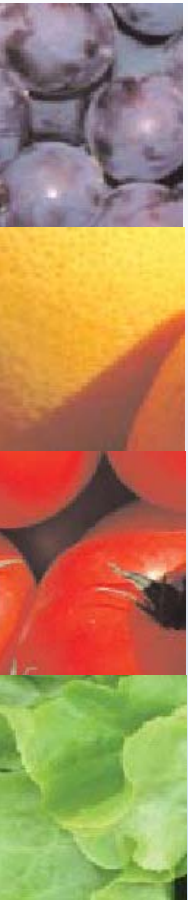


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Summary of decisions

Proposals for new standards

- Berry fruit, lambs lettuce, rocket, kohlrabi, carrots and other root vegetables, tubercle vegetables, stalk and stalk-leaf vegetables.
- Start work on standards for groups of products. The delegations discussed on the draft group standards for berry fruit and root vegetables.
- Delegations to consult the industry and submit comments on the proposed group standard.



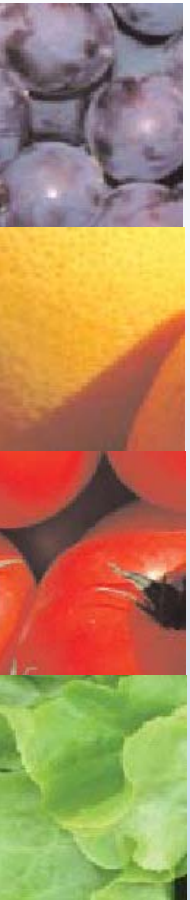


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Summary of decisions

Future work

- Finalize brochure on sweet peppers
- Standard Layout
- Standards for apples, citrus fruit, sweet peppers, pears, apricots, fresh chilli peppers, chanterelles, shallots, berry fruit, lambs lettuce, and peaches and nectarines.





UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of Dry and Dried Produce Summary of decisions



- The Section submitted for approval as revised UNECE standards the amended text of the Standard Layout
- New UNECE Standards for:
 - Pistachio kernels and peeled pistachio kernels
 - Hazelnut kernels
 - Blanched almond kernels



UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of Dry and Dried Produce

New UNECE colour gauge for inshell walnuts and walnut kernels



"Extra" Class:	Catégorie "Extra":	Класс «Экстра»:
Uniformly light-coloured kernels with practically no dark straw and/or lemon yellow and with no dark brown.	Cerneaux de couleur uniformément claire et pratiquement exempts de couleur paille foncée et/ou citronnée à l'exclusion du brun foncé.	Равномерно светлоокрашенные ядра орехов с практически отсутствием темно-соломенного и/или лимонно-желтого оттенков и отсутствием темно-коричневых тонов.
Class I:	Catégorie I:	Класс 1:
Kernels of a colour not darker than light brown.	Couleur qui ne soit pas plus foncée que brun clair.	Ядра орехов по цвету не темнее светло-коричневого оттенка.
Class II:	Catégorie II:	Класс 2:
Kernels of a colour not darker than dark brown. Darker kernels may be marketed in this class, provided the colour is indicated on the package.	Cerneaux de couleur qui ne soit pas plus foncée que brun foncé. Les cerneaux plus foncés peuvent être commercialisés dans cette catégorie à condition que leur couleur soit indiquée sur l'emballage.	Ядра орехов по цвету не темнее темно-коричневого оттенка. Более темные ядра орехов могут продаваться по данному классу с указанием цвета на упаковке.



For each class, the colour of the kernels must be within the limits shown. Lighter coloured kernels are allowed.

Pour chaque catégorie, la couleur des cerneaux doit être comprise dans les limites représentées. Les cerneaux de couleurs plus claires sont admis.

Для каждого класса цвет ядер орехов должен быть в рамках установленного предела. Более светлые тона допустимы.



UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of DDP

Summary of decisions

Future work

- Standard Layout
- Standards for whole dried chilli peppers, dates, inshell macadamia nuts and macadamia kernels.
- Finalize the standard for inshell walnuts. The 2002 version remains in force. Within five years, which includes the trial period, the text of the standard will be placed in the new Standard Layout.





UNECE Specialized Section on Standardization of DDP

Summary of decisions

Proposals for Future work

- **Revision of the standard for dried pears (United States).**
- **Revision of the standard for dried apples (France).**
- **Revision of the standard for inshell walnuts (Germany).**
- **Revision of the standard for cashew kernels (India?).**
- **Sampling and inspection procedure for Dry and Dried produce (Germany).**
- **UNECE explanatory brochure for walnut kernels (United States).**





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