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TABLE GRAPES

Transmitted by the Ukraine

Note by the Secretariat: The following proposal is reproduced in the form in which it was submitted by the Ukraine.

Proposals

on introduction of the amendments into the UN/ECE Standard FFV-19 relating to the marketing and commercial quality control of table grapes.

1. Section 22, subsection A "Minimum requirements".

The characteristic "satisfactory ripeness" should be supplemented by the rate allowing to evaluate this index with objectivity. For this reason it is advisable to introduce the rate of mass sugar concentration depending upon the ampelographic variety and the region of grapes cultivation, but it is not less than 120 g/dm^3 (or 12%).

As far as the quality of grapes is changed during transportation it is expedient to give the quality rates on two levels: 1-in the place of shipment, 2-in the place of destination.

2. Section ²², sub-section "Classification".

For obtaining more objective quality characteristic of grapes of different classes we propose to add the following indices and their rates given in the table:

	Rate for the Classes					
Name of index	Extra		I		II	
	Shipment place	Delivery Place	Shipment place	Delivery place	Shipment place	Delivery place
Mass quota (content) of fallen grape berries, %, not more than:						
for large-berry varieties	not permitted	1,0	1,0	3,0	2,0	5,0
for small-berry varieties	not permitted	1,0	1,0	5,0	3,0	7,0
Mass quota (content) of spotted grape berries, %, not more than:	0,5	0,5	1,0	1,0	2,0	2,0
Mass quota (content) of cracked grape berries, %, not more than:	not permitted	1,0	1,0	2,0	2,0	3,0
Mass quota (content) of crushed grape berries, %, not more than:	not permitted	0,5	0,5	1,0	1,0	2,0
Mass quota (content) of faded grape berries, %, not more than:	not permitted	0,5	0,5	1,0	1,0	2,0

Note: The tolerance rates may be specified during discussion between the representatives of the countries participating in the work of the Section.

3. Section 22 , sub-section \hat{A} "Classification".

For obtaining objective and real evaluation of the quality of grapes of different classes it is expedient, if possible, to avoid such wordings as "slight" or "very slight", because the supplier and the consumer have different points of view concerning such wording of quality.

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For example, during estimation of colouring, burning, damage caused by hail it is better to indicate the permissible area of defects and the content of the grape berries having these defects.

4. Section "List of Varieties"

We think it is expedient to add the following widespread varieties to the given list of varieties: Early of Magarach, Agadan, Senso, Beautiful Tsegleda, Pearl Muscat, Amber Muscat, Odessa Souvenir.