

# TRADE/WP.7/GE.1/2000/INF.6 (English)

## Proposals

on introduction of the amendments into the  
UN/ECE Standard FFV-001  
relating to the marketing and commercial quality control  
of apples and pears

### **1. Section I, subsection A "Minimum requirements"**

#### **Proposal to explain the notion of abnormal external moisture.**

Fruit with abnormal external moisture are the fruit wet with rain, dew, watering or dripping its own juice out. Condensate on the fruit delivered from the refrigerators or refrigerated transport that appeared as a result of difference in temperature is not considered the abnormal external moisture.

### **2. Ibidem**

Proposal **to give a new wording to** the phrase "The development and condition of the apples and pears must be such to enable them...". To read: "The fruit must be quite developed and shaped to enable them..."

### **3. Section II, subsection B "Classification"**

#### **Proposal to delete /"Pears must not be gritty"/ or to give another wording.**

As a rule pears of late ripeness when harvested are gritty. Their consistence becomes softer during ripening. That is why it is better to give another wording specifying that pears must not be gritty in the place of marketing.

### **4. Ibidem**

Proposal **to specify which of the superficial defects are permitted and to give the specific tolerances for the classes.**

Taking into consideration the fact that during transportation there are possible some mechanical damages and biological mutations of the fruit, it is advisable to establish different specific tolerances for the fruit in the place of shipment and in the place of delivery.

We propose the following table showing average tolerances that should be specified considering the experience gained by the firms that deliver fresh fruit to the International market.

Name of index (defect)	Rate of the Classes								
	Extra		I		II				
	Shipment place	Delivery place	Shipment place	Delivery place	Shipment place	Delivery place			
Fruit with healed damages caused by pests and diseases, healed cracks and single damages caused by hail, % not more than	not more than 2 healed damages with total surface area not over 1ñm <sup>2</sup>	2,0	2,0	with cicatrized defects with total surface area not over 3ñm <sup>2</sup>	7,0	7,0	with cicatrized defects with total surface area not over 1/5 of fruit surface	10,0	10,0
Fruit with fresh mechanical damages, % not more than	with slight rubs and pressures with total area not over 1 ñm <sup>2</sup>	1,0	2,0	3 ñm <sup>2</sup>	3,0	6,0	5 ñm <sup>2</sup>	5,0	15,0
	with single fresh pinholes of skin	not permitted	2,0	3,0	3,0	6,0	5,0	5,0	15,0
Fruit without stalk or with broken stalk but without damaging of fruit, % not more than	not permitted	1,0	5,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	10,0	15,0	
Green fruit and/or overripe one, % not more than	not permitted								

Notes: Total content of fruit with defects must not exceed:

	Shipment place	Delivery place
Extra Class	2,0	5,0
Class I	10,0	20,0
Class II	15,0	30,0

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