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The following document contains in Part 1 the amendments proposed at the April 2015 session of the Specialized Section to the Section « Definition of Produce » and « Provisions concerning Marking - B. Nature of Produce » of the Standard on citrus fruit (FFV-14). Amendments and issues under discussion are highlighted. Part 2 contains a short table with examples of labelling.

Delegations are invited to send their comments to the secretariat before 1 April 2016.

Part 1: Proposed amendments

I. Definition of produce¹

This standard applies to citrus fruit of varieties (cultivars) grown from the following species to be supplied fresh to the consumer, citrus fruit for industrial processing being excluded: : ~~the following varieties (cultivars) of fruit, classified as “citrus fruit”, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, citrus fruit for industrial processing being excluded:~~

- lemons grown from the species *Citrus limon* (L.) Burm. f. **and hybrids thereof**
- Persian limes grown from the species *Citrus latifolia* (Yu. Tanaka) Tanaka, a largefruited acid lime known also as Bearss or Tahiti [and hybrids thereof]
- Mexican limes grown from the species *Citrus aurantifolia* (Christm.) Swingle, also known as key limes and sour limes [and hybrids thereof]
- Indian sweet limes, Palestine sweet limes grown from the species *Citrus limettioides* Tanaka **[and hybrids thereof]**
- mandarins **grown from the species** (*Citrus reticulata* Blanco), including satsumas, including satsumas (**Citrus unshiu Marcow.**), clementines (~~*Citrus elementina hort. ex Tanaka*~~), and common mandarins (~~*Citrus deliciosa Ten.*~~) and tangerines (*Citrus tangerina* Tanaka), grown from these species [and hybrids thereof]
- oranges grown from the species *Citrus sinensis* (L.) Osbeck **[and hybrids thereof]**
- grapefruit grown from the species *Citrus paradisi* Macfad. **[and hybrids thereof]**
- pummelos or Shaddock grown from the species *Citrus maxima* (Burm.) Merr. **[and hybrids thereof].**

Citrus hybrids are classified according to their fruit characteristics of the respective species.

VI. Provisions concerning marking

Each package must bear the following particulars, in letters grouped on the same side, legibly and indelibly marked, and visible from the outside:.....

B. Nature of produce

- ~~Common name of the species if the produce is not visible from the outside, but obligatory for satsumas and clementines~~
- “Lemons”, “Limes”, “Persian limes”, “Mexican limes”, “Indian sweet limes” / “Palestine sweet limes”, “Mandarins”, “Oranges” ~~–/– “Blond oranges”/“Blood oranges” / “Pigmented oranges”~~, “Grapefruit”, “Pummelos” / Shaddock” if the produce is not visible from the outside
- “Mixture of citrus fruit” or equivalent denomination and common names of the different species, in case of a mixture of citrus fruit of distinctly different species
- for oranges: the name of the variety² and/or the respective variety group in the case of “Blood oranges”, “Navels”, “Valencias”

¹ All information on botanical names is taken from the GRIN database. See www.ars-grin.gov

- for “Satsumas” and “Clementines”: the variety group is required and the name of the variety is optional;
- for other mandarins and ~~their~~ hybrids thereof: the name of the variety is required

for all other species: the name of the variety is optional.

The name of a variety can be replaced by a synonym. A trade name³ can only be given in addition to the variety or the synonym.

- flesh colour “white”, “pink” or “red” for grapefruit and pummelos where appropriate
- “seeded” in case of clementines with more than 10 seeds.
- “seedless”: (optional, seedless citrus fruit may occasionally contain seeds ~~provided single fruits contain occasional seeds only~~).

Part 2: Examples of labelling

Common name	Oranges	(Blond) Oranges	Oranges	Oranges	Oranges
Variety-Group	Navels	Navel	Valencia late	Valencias	Blood oranges
Variety		Washington			Tarocco

Produce	Clementines	Tangerines	Mandarins
Variety group	Clementines	Clementines	
Variety	Clemenules		Orri

² An informative, non-exhaustive list of varieties and their respective synonyms, trademarks and/or variety groups is available at the Specialized Section’s meeting website.

³ A trade name can be a trademark for which protection has been sought or obtained or any other commercial denomination.