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Explanatory Posters

Explanatory Posters – Dried Apricots

The following comments on the draft Explanatory Brochure for Dried Apricots were submitted by the Central Asian Working Group (Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan). The Russian version of this document is available upon request.

The Central Asian Working Group on the Development of an Explanatory Brochure to the UNECE Standard DDP 15 presents its compliments and has the honor to submit its comments on INF 7 on the draft Explanatory Poster for Dried Apricots, prepared by the delegation of Tajikistan and Turkey with the participation of Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan.

The following comments are submitted for consideration:

Comments on the color range

First of all, it should be noted that the signature feature of the Central Asian region is the availability of multiple sorts of Apricot, which have a wide range of colours: from light yellow to orange-red for processed apricots and from pale yellow, pale orange to dark brown with various shades for non-processed apricot. Therefore, different sorts with different levels of sulfur content can look the same in color, which will lead to confusion and misidentification.

In this context the Central Asian Working Group believes that displaying a color range of products on the Poster linked to the level of SO₂ may mislead potential Poster users.