**DEFINITION**

The UNECE standard DDP-17 applies to cashew kernels* obtained by heating, shelling and peeling the true fruits of the cashew tree *Anacardium occidentale* (L.). This standard does not apply to cashew kernels that are processed by salting, sugaring, flavouring, roasting or oil frying or to cashew kernels for industrial processing.

**COMMERCIAL AND MARKETING QUALITY OF CASHEW KERNELS**

*The UNECE standard DDP-17 for cashew kernels and an electronic version of this poster can be retrieved from the following addresses.**

**Standard:**
https://unece.org/trade/wp7/DDP-Standards

**Poster:**
https://unece.org/trade/wp7/brochures-and-posters

### QUALITY DEFECTS

![Whole Kernel](image1)
**WHOLEs**

![Half Kernel](image2)
**HALVES**

![Large Pieces](image3)
**LARGE PIECES not passing through a sieve of aperture 4.75 mm**

![Butts](image4)
**BUTTS either end of a whole kernel which has been broken crosswise**

![Small Pieces](image5)
**SMALL PIECES not passing through a sieve of aperture 2.80 mm**

![Very Small Pieces](image6)
**VERY SMALL PIECES not passing through a sieve of aperture 2.36 mm**

![Baby Bits](image7)
**BABY BITS not passing through a sieve of aperture 1.70 mm**

![Shrunken/Shrivelled](image8)
**SHRUNKEN / SHRIVELLED**

![Foreign Matter](image9)
**FOREIGN MATTER**

![Mouldy](image10)
**MOULDY**

![Insect/Pest Damage](image11)
**INSECT / PEST DAMAGE**

![Superficial Damage](image12)
**SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE**

![Adhering Testa](image13)
**ADHERING TESTA**

![Spotted**](image14)
**SPOTTED**

* Brown and other coloured spots that contrast with the kernel colour in excess of 3 mm in diameter or 7 mm².