

Product Specifications

Kiwifruit



Grade: U.S. #1

U.S. #1 consists of kiwifruit which have similar varietal characteristics, that are mature, not soft, overripe, or shriveled, which are carefully packed, clean and fairly well formed; free from worm wholes, broken skins, sunscald, freezing injury, internal breakdown and decay, free from damage caused by: bruises, leaf or limb rubs, discoloration, hail, growth cracks, scab, scars, heat, spray burn or sunburn, and insects.

Standard Pack –

(a) Fruit shall be fairly uniform in size and shall be packed in boxes, flats, lugs, or cartons and arranged according to approved and recognized methods. Containers shall be well filled; contents tightly packed but not be excessively or unnecessarily bruised by overfilling or over sizing. Fruit in the shown face of the container shall be reasonably representative in size and quality of the contents.

(b) When packed in closed containers the size shall be indicated by marking the container with numerical count.

(c) Boxes, flats, lugs or cartons:

(1) Fruit packed in containers with molded trays shall be of proper size for the molds in which they are packed, and conform to the marked count.

(2) In order to allow for variations incident to proper packing in other types of containers, the number of fruit shall not vary more than two from the marked count.

Definitions –

– “Similar varietal characteristics” means that the fruit in any lot and container are similar in shape, color of skin and flesh.

– “Mature” means the fruit has reached the stage of development which will insure the proper completion of the ripening process. The minimum average soluble solids shall not be less than 6.5 percent.

– “Clean” means the fruit is practically free from dirt, dust, or other foreign material.

– “Fairly well formed” means the fruit has the shape characteristic of the variety but slight bumps or other roughness are permitted providing they do not materially detract from appearance.

– “Carefully packed” means the fruit shows no evidence of rough handling.

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