

added to the Other Than standard. (Sections 51.2850(m) and 51.2853(e).) —Finally, the BGG standard currently does not contain a metric conversion table. The Other Than standard does. To keep both standards uniform and to bring the BGG standard up to date with current standard format a metric conversion table would be added. (Section 51.3213.)

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 51

Agricultural commodities, Food grades and standards, Fruits, Nuts, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Vegetables.

PART 51—[AMENDED]

For reasons set forth in the preamble, it is proposed that 7 CFR part 51 be amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 51 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1622, 1624.

2. Part 51, Subpart—United States Standards for Grades of Onions (Other Than Bermuda-Granex-Grano and Creole Types) is revised to read as follows:

Subpart—United States Standards for Grades of Onions (Other Than Bermuda-Granex-Grano and Creole Types)

Grades

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Definitions

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51.2850	Damage.
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Metric Conversion Table

51.2855 Metric conversion table.

Subpart—United States Standards for Grades of Onions (Other Than Bermuda-Granex-Grano and Creole Types)

Grades

§ 51.2830 U.S. No. 1.

U.S. No. 1 consists of onions which meet the following requirements:

(a) Basic requirements:

- (1) Similar varietal characteristics;
- (2) Mature;
- (3) Fairly firm; and,
- (4) Fairly well shaped.

(b) Free from:

- (1) Decay;
 - (2) Wet sunscald;
 - (3) Doubles;
 - (4) Bottlenecks; and,
 - (5) Scallions.
- (c) Free from damage caused by:
- (1) Seedstems;
 - (2) Splits;
 - (3) Tops;
 - (4) Roots;
 - (5) Dry sunken areas;
 - (6) Sunburn;
 - (7) Sprouts;
 - (8) Freezing;
 - (9) Peeling;
 - (10) Cracked fleshy scales;
 - (11) Watery scales;
 - (12) Dirt or staining;
 - (13) Foreign matter;
 - (14) Disease;
 - (15) Insects; and,
 - (16) Other means.

(d) For tolerances see § 51.2838

(e) Size. Unless otherwise specified the diameter shall be not less than 1½ inches, and yellow, brown, or red onions shall have 40 percent or more, and white onions shall have 30 percent or more, by weight, of the onions in any lot 2 inches or larger in diameter.

(f) When a percentage of the onions is specified to be of any certain size or larger, no part of any tolerance shall be allowed to reduce the specified percentage, but individual packages in a lot may have as much as 25 percentage points less than the percentage specified, except that individual packages containing 10 pounds or less shall have no requirements as to percentage of a certain size or larger: *Provided*, that any lot, regardless of package size, shall average within the percentage specified. (See §§ 51.2837 and 51.2838.)¹

¹ Any lot of onions quoted as being of size smaller than 1½ inches minimum, such as "U.S. No. 1, 1¼ inches min." is not required to meet the percentages

§ 51.2831 U.S. Export No. 1.

U.S. Export No. 1 consists of onions which meet the following requirements:

(a) Basic requirements:

- (1) Similar varietal characteristics;
- (2) Mature;
- (3) Dormant;
- (4) Fairly firm; and,
- (5) Fairly well shaped.

(b) Free from:

- (1) Decay;
 - (2) Wet sunscald;
 - (3) Doubles;
 - (4) Bottlenecks; and,
 - (5) Scallions.
- (c) Free from damage caused by:
- (1) Seedstems;
 - (2) Splits;
 - (3) Tops;
 - (4) Roots;
 - (5) Dry sunken areas;
 - (6) Sunburn;
 - (7) Sprouts;
 - (8) Freezing;
 - (9) Peeling;
 - (10) Cracked fleshy scales;
 - (11) Watery scales;
 - (12) Dirt or staining;
 - (13) Foreign matter;
 - (14) Disease;
 - (15) Insects; and,
 - (16) Other means.

(d) Unless otherwise specified onions are packed in accordance with Export Packing Requirements set forth in § 51.2841. (See § 51.2838.)

§ 51.2832 U.S. Commercial.

U.S. Commercial consists of onions which meet the following requirements:

(a) Basic requirements:

- (1) Similar varietal characteristics;
- (2) Mature;
- (3) Not soft or spongy; and,
- (4) Not badly misshapen.

(b) Free from:

- (1) Decay;
 - (2) Wet sunscald;
 - (3) Doubles;
 - (4) Bottlenecks; and,
 - (5) Scallions.
- (c) Free from damage caused by:
- (1) Seedstems;
 - (2) Tops;
 - (3) Roots;
 - (4) Dry sunken areas;
 - (5) Sunburn;
 - (6) Sprouts;
 - (7) Freezing;
 - (8) Cracked fleshy scales;
 - (9) Watery scales;
 - (10) Disease;
 - (11) Insects; and,
 - (12) Other means.

(d) Free from serious damage caused by:

which shall be 2 inches or larger as specified in the U.S. No. 1 grade.