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010. DEFINITIONS.

01. Idaho No. 1. Idaho No. 1 shall consist of apricots of one variety that are mature but not soft, overripe or shriveled and that are well formed, free from decay, insect holes, and damage caused by skin breaks, cuts, limb rubs, russetting, growth cracks, dirt, hail, bruises, scale or other means. (7-1-93)

02. Idaho No. 2. Idaho No. 2 shall consist of apricots of one variety that are mature but not soft, overripe or shriveled, and that are free from decay, insect holes and serious damage caused by skin breaks, limb rubs, russetting, growth cracks, hail, bruises or other means. (7-1-93)

03. Idaho Combination. Idaho Combination shall consist of a combination of Idaho No. 1 and Idaho No. 2. When such a combination is packed, at least fifty percent (50%) of the apricots in any container shall meet the requirements of the Idaho No. 1. (See Section 100). (7-1-93)

100. TOLERANCES.

In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling in each of the foregoing grades, the following tolerances, by count, are provided as specified. (7-1-93)

01. Defects. (7-1-93)

a. Idaho No. 1. A total of ten percent (10%) for apricots in any lot that fails to meet the requirements for the grade: Provided, that not more than one-half (1/2) of this tolerance, or five percent (5%), shall be allowed for defects causing serious damage, including therein not more than one-fifth (1/5) of this amount or one percent (1%) shall be allowed for apricots that are affected by decay. An additional ten percent (10%) by count of the apricots may be damaged by bruise. (7-1-93)

b. Idaho No. 2. A total of ten percent (10%) for apricots in any lot that fail to meet the requirements for the grade: Provided, therein not more than one percent (1%) be allowed for apricots that are affected by decay. (7-1-93)

c. Idaho Combination. A total of ten percent (10%) for apricots in any lot that fail to meet the requirements for the grade: Provided, therein that not more than one percent (1%) shall be allowed for apricots that are affected by decay. (7-1-93)

02. Restrictions. When applying the foregoing tolerances to the combination grade, no part of any tolerance shall be used to reduce the percentage of Idaho No. 1 apricots required in the combination, but individual containers may have not more than ten percent (10%) less than the percentage of Idaho No. 1 required, provided that the entire lot average is within the percentage specified. (7-1-93)

03. Samples. Individual samples shall have not more than one and one-half (1 1/2) times any tolerance specified; provided, that the averages for the entire lot are within the tolerances specified for the grade. (7-1-93)

101. -- 199. (RESERVED)

200. MARKING REQUIREMENTS.

01. Containers. When apricots are packed in containers, such containers shall have stamped or marked thereon the variety, the net contents, and packer’s name and address. (7-1-93)
02. **Size.** The minimum size may be specified in terms of diameter or numerical count. When a minimum diameter is marked on the container, not more than ten percent (10%) by count shall be allowed for apricots below the marked size.

201. -- 299. (RESERVED)

300. **DEFINITION OF TERMS.**

01. **Mature.** “Mature” means having reached the state of maturity that will ensure a proper completion of the ripening process.

02. **Well Formed.** “Well formed” means having the characteristic shape of the variety.

03. **Damage.** “Damage” means that the apricot is injured to an extent readily apparent in the process of proper grading and handling. The following specific defects defined in Subsection 300.03 will not be considered as damage.

  a. Hail Marks: Well healed and shallow -- allow one-eighth (1/8) inch in diameter.
  b. When skin has not been broken:
    i. Shallow -- allow three-eighths (3/8) inch in diameter.
    ii. Not shallow -- allow one-fourth (1/4) inch in diameter.
  c. Growth Cracks:
    i. Well healed -- allow three-eighths (3/8) inch in length.
    ii. Riland variety -- allow one-half (1/2) inch in length.
  d. Limb Rubs: Smooth and shallow -- allow one-fourth (1/4) inch in diameter.
  e. Russetting: Allow one-fourth (1/4) surface area in aggregate.
  f. Skin Breaks:
    i. Punctures -- allow three-sixteenths (3/16) inch in diameter.
    ii. Stem pulls -- allow three-eighths (3/8) inch in diameter.
    iii. Riland variety -- allow one-half (1/2) inch in diameter.
  g. Bruises: Allow five percent (5%) of the surface area.
  h. Scale: Allow two (2) scale marks.
  i. Dirt: Allow when not readily apparent.

04. **Serious Damage.** “Serious damage” means immaturity or any deformity, or injury that causes breaking of the skin, or that seriously affects the appearance. The following specific defects defined in Subsection 300.03 will not be considered as serious damage.

  a. Bruises: Allow ten percent (10%) of the surface area.
  b. Growth cracks:
i. Well healed -- allow one-half (1/2) inch in length. (7-1-93)

ii. Riland variety -- allow five-eighths (5/8) inch in length. (7-1-93)

**c. Hail Marks:**

i. Well healed -- allow three-eighths (3/8) inch in aggregate. (7-1-93)

ii. When skin has not been broken -- allow one-half (1/2) inch in aggregate. (7-1-93)

**d. Skin Breaks:**

i. Stem pulls -- allow one-half (1/2) inch in diameter. (7-1-93)

ii. Other skin breaks -- allow three-eighths (3/8) inch diameter. (7-1-93)

**05. Diameter.** “Diameter” means the greatest diameter, measured through the center of the apricot, at right angles to a line running from the stem to the blossom end. (7-1-93)

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