

PRODUCE: **PLUMCOT**
TYPE: **N/A**
VARIETY: **Various**
CLASS: **One**

GENERAL APPEARANCE CRITERIA	
COLOUR	Yellow with red blush, red or dark purple flesh according to variety; yellow-orange flesh.
VISUAL APPEARANCE	Normal bloom. Sound fruit with or without stalks. Intact skins. Cling or free stone depending on variety. Free from juice and spray residues or foreign matter on the skin.
SENSORY	Firm not hard. Good sugar to acid ratio. Juicy with good flavour (sweet aromatic flesh) for variety. Free from foreign and 'off' smells or tastes.
SHAPE	Round according to variety.
SIZE	In pre-ordered size range per requirements.
MATURITY	Firm but yield to gentle pressure. No hard fruit.
MAJOR DEFECTS	
INSECTS	With evidence of live insects.
DISEASES	With evidence of progressive fungal or bacterial rots on the skin, flesh or stone of the plum. With evidence of discolouration or disfigurement due to viruses.
PHYSICAL / PEST DAMAGE	With unhealed cuts, holes or splits in the skin.
SKIN MARKS / BLEMISHES	With deep seated bruises.
TEMPERATURE INJURY	With evidence of dark water-soaked areas (freeze damage).
PHYSIOLOGICAL DISORDERS	With split stone. With deformed or disfigured fruit. With tough skin.
MINOR DEFECTS	
PHYSICAL / PEST DAMAGE	With superficial bruising >1sq cm.
TEMPERATURE INJURY	With evidence of sunburn >1sq cm.
SKIN MARKS / BLEMISHES	With healed scars, hail damage or slight skin rubs>1sq cm. With > 10 bacterial spots >0.5mm diameter.
CONSIGNMENT CRITERIA	
TOLERANCE PER CONSIGNMENT	Total minor defects (within allowance limit) to be < 2 defects per item Total minor defects (outside allowance limit) must not exceed 10% of consignment. Total major defects must not exceed 2 % of consignment. Combined Total not to exceed 10%.
PACKAGING & LABELLING	Packaging manufactured from new food grade materials or sanitised returnable crates. All labelling must meet the current legislative requirements. Labelling to identify grower's name/brand (plus growers name/code if via a packhouse), address, contents, class, size and/or minimum net weight. Produce to identify Country of Origin (eg. Produce of Australia) on outer container.
SHELF LIFE	Produce must provide not less than 14 days clear shelf life from date of receipt.
RECEIVAL CONDITIONS	Compliance with Quarantine Treatments (if required) for Interstate Consignment. Stacked onto a stabilised pallet. Refrigerated van with air bag suspension, unless otherwise approved. Pulp Temperature 6 - 10 °C for Receipt.
CHEMICAL & CONTAMINANT RESIDUES	All chemicals used pre/postharvest must be registered and approved for use in accordance with the requirements of the APVMA regulatory system. Residues, Contaminants and Heavy Metals to comply to the FSANZ Food Standards Code ML's and MRL's.
FOOD SAFETY REQUIREMENTS	Produce is to be grown and packed under a HACCP based food safety program that is subject to an annual third-party audit. A copy of current certification to be forwarded to receiver.
Specifications reviewable: eg. to account for specific regional effects or adverse seasonal impacts on quality or early or late seasonal variances as agreed and communicated formally in writing.	