Effective: 1 November 2006



PRODUCE: MELON

ТҮРЕ	Watermelon	VARIETY	Personal Melon
CLASS	One	NOTES	

Colour	With mid-green background deep red flesh with a few immature white seeds.		
Visual Appearance	With bright bloom full bodied, no hollow areas or bruising when cut, no foreign matter, eg. Traces of any soil, not clumped or matter. With need for stickers with PLU and produce type name, or bar code when available, per requirements.		
Sensory	With firm, smooth skin, not soft or coarse, sweet, crisp flesh, no "off" odours or tastes.		
Shape	Round. Nil with pronounced pointed ends or otherwise deformed.		
Size	As per requirements; within the range 1.3 - 2.5 kg.		
Maturity	TSS > 10o Brix.		
MAJOR DEFECTS			
Insects	With evidence of live insects.		
Diseases	With fungal or bacterial rots (Rhizopus rot, Fusarium rot, blue mould, sour rot, Anthracnose).		
Physical/Pest Damage	With cuts, splits, holes, cracks that break the skin.		
Temperature Injury	With severe sunburn, eg. Wrinkled areas. With skin pitting and flesh discolouration (chilling injury)		
Physiological Disorders	With dark sunken area at blossom end (blossom end rot). With faded colour and softened skin (dehydrated, senescent)		
MINOR DEFECTS			
Physical/Pest Damage	With healed, shallow (<1 mm), light coloured scarring >1 sq cm.		
Physiological Disorder	Nil with attached stems; With skin splits from scar (overmature or over-hydrated).		
Skin Marks/Blemishes	With groundmark >10% of visible surface area With scattered light blemish, eg sand marks, healed scratches 1 mm deep.		
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 Countryof Origin (eg. Produce of Australia) on outer container.		
Shelf Life	Produce must provide not less than 14 days clear shelf life from date of receival.		
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 12-18°C for Receival.		
Chemical & Containment 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.		