Effective: 1 November 2006



PRODUCE: TOMATO

ТҮРЕ	Roma (Egg)	VARIETY	Composite
CLASS	One	NOTES	

GENERAL APPEARANCE CRIT	TERIA		
Colour	With receival colour as pre-ordered; generally > 3A red colour (stage 4-5 on QDPI Chart); uniform within carton; none with >50% skin mottling.		
Visual Appearance	With bright bloom; calyx removed; seeds in clear reddish gel; no foreign matter.		
Sensory	Thin, smooth skin; firm, juicy flesh with typical tomato flavour; no foreign smells or taste.		
Shape	Oblong with slightly tapered blossom end; nil with 'bottleneck' shape, with raised ridges or otherwise deformed from oblong.		
Size	In pre-ordered range per requirements in the following size ranges: 50 - 65 mm (small), 65 - 75 mm (medium) and 75 - 90 mm (large) in length measured from end to end.		
Maturity	Firm fruit, not excessively green (immature) or soft and dark red (overmature).		
MAJOR DEFECTS			
Insects	With obvious live insects (eg insect larvae)		
Diseases	With fungal or bacterial rots (eg bacterial soft rot, Alternaria rot, grey mould, sour rot). With blotchy or mottled appearance due to viral infection.		
Physical/Pest Damage	With cuts, holes, splits or insect damage that breaks the skin. With soft, dark areas due to severe bruising.		
Physiological Disorder	With softening or rot developing at the blossom end (calcium deficiency). With grey or brown areas in the internal flesh (grey wall / vascular browning). With circular or star shaped cracking around the stem attachment or blossom scar.		
Temperature Injury	With softened flesh, pitted skin, or failure to develop normal colour (chilling injury). With bleached, flattened areas on the fruit skin (sunburn). With soft skin or wrinkled appearance (dehydration) With blotchy, orange toned skin (heat damage).		
MINOR DEFECTS			
Skin Marks/Blemishes	With light scattered blemish, eg. rub marks, affecting in aggregate > 2 sq cm. With 'zipper' lines > half the fruit length and >1 mm width. With > 4 dark, solid spots, 1mm diameter/depth or > 1 sq cm surface. With brown marks or blemishes affecting > 1 sq cm of surface.		
Physical/Pest Damage	With minor bruises or impact damage eg. Skin slightly darker but still firm, affecting >2 sq cm.		
Physiological Disorder	With internal grey discolouration affecting >0.5 sq cm of surface. With persistent green shoulders affecting >4 sq cm.		
CONSIGNMENT CRITERIA			
Tolerance Per Consignment	Total minor defects (within allowance limit) to be < 2 defects per item Total minor defects (outside allowance limust not exceed 10% of consignment. Total major defects must not exceed 2 % of consignment. Combined To not to exceed 10%.		
Packaging & Labelling	Packaging manufactured from new food grade materials or sanitised returnable crates. All labelling must meet to 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 (exproduce 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 palle as pre-ordered. Refrigerated van with air bag suspension, unless otherwise approved. Pulp Temperature 12 - 15°		
	All chemicals used pre/postharvest must be registered and approved for use in accordance with the requirement of the APVMA regulatory system. Residues, Contaminants and Heavy Metals to comply with the FSANZ Food Standards Code MRL's and ML's.		
Chemical & Containment Residues			

^{*}Specifications reviewable: e.g. 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.