Effective: 1 November 2006



PRODUCE: CITRUS

ТҮРЕ	Orange	VARIETY	Valencia
CLASS	One	NOTES	

GENERAL APPEARANCE CRIT			
Colour	Uniform full orange. Nil with greening; except for late season (January - May), when light green tinge (regreening over not > 30 % of the surface area is allowable.		
Visual Appearance	With bright bloom; waxed surface; missing buttons allowable provided healed dry attachment areas, rind < 5mm thick; no foreign matter. Pre-packs labelled with bar code. Loose Fruit stickered by PLU (or bar code when available) and variety name per requirements.		
Sensory	With firm, smooth skin, no foreign odours/tastes.		
Shape	Round to slightly oval. Nil flat, squat fruit; no raised ridges or elongated necks.		
Size	As per pre-ordered size requirements, minimum net carton weight 18 kg.		
Maturity	Total soluble solids >9° Brix; with T.S.S to acids ratio >7:1; juice content >33%.		
MAJOR DEFECTS			
Insects	With insects (eg. mealy bugs), especially in navel or button, or >10 scales (red/brown spots).		
Diseases	With fungal or bacterial rots of the skin or flesh (eg. Penicillium moulds, brown rot, soft rots). With dark lesions on the fruit skin (eg. Black spot, Septoria spot). With black decay at the fruit core (Alternaria).		
Physical/Pest Damage	With cuts holes, splits, and cracks (that break the skin).		
Temperature Injury	With dark brown depressed lesions (chilling injury) or watersoaked flesh (freezing damage). With pale, hard areas of skin (severe sunburn)		
MINOR DEFECTS			
Diseases	With superficial black/grey marks (eg.sooty blotch, sooty mould, Melanose) affecting in aggregate >1sq cm.		
Physical/Pest Damage	With brown/black specks (rust mite damage) affecting in aggregate > 1 sq cm. With up to 10 scale insects (red-brown spots, 2mm diameter). With slightly dark and sunken areas (oleocellosis) affecting >1 sq cm. of surface.		
Physiological Disorder	With skin creasing (albedo breakdown) affecting >1 sq. cm of surface. With enlarged navels > 20mm diameter. With stem end corrugations >2mm wide, >half fruit length.		
Skin Marks/Blemishes	With dark blemishes (eg stem end blemish) affecting in aggregate >1 sq cm. of surface. With light blemish affecting in aggregate >3 sq cm. of surface.		
Temperature Injury	With bleached yellowish-orange areas (slight sunburn) affecting >3 sq cm.		
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 Tot 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 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 palle Refrigerated van with air bag suspension, unless otherwise approved. Pulp Temperature 5 - 15°C for Receival.		
Chemical & Containment Residues	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 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: 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.