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UNECE Standards for Apples (FFV-50) and Pears (FFV-51)

Request by France and Italy to modify the Standard

1. For Apples:

III. Provisions concerning sizing

Size is determined either by the maximum diameter of the equatorial section or by weight.

The minimum size shall be 60 mm, if measured by diameter, or 90 g, if measured by weight. Fruit of smaller sizes may be accepted if the Brix level of the produce is equal to or greater than 10.5° Brix and the size is not smaller than 50 mm or 70 g.

To ensure uniformity in size, the range in size between produce in the same package shall not exceed⁴:

(a) For fruit sized by diameter:

- 5 mm for “Extra” Class fruit and for Classes I and II fruit packed in rows and layers⁵
- 10 mm for Class I fruit packed in sales packages or loose in the package.

(b) For fruit sized by weight:

- for “Extra” Class and Class I and II fruit packed in rows and layers:

<i>Range (g)</i>	<i>Weight difference (g)</i>
70-90	15
91-135	20
136-200	30
201-300	40
> 300	50

- for Class I fruit packed in sales packages or loose in the package:

<i>Range (g)</i>	<i>Weight difference (g)</i>
70-135	35
136-300	70
> 300	100

2. For Pears:

III. Provisions concerning sizing

Size is determined by the maximum diameter of the equatorial section or by weight.

The minimum size¹ shall be:

- (a) For fruit sized by diameter:

	<i>“Extra”</i>	<i>Class I</i>	<i>Class II</i>
Large-fruited varieties	60 mm	55 mm	55 mm
Other varieties	55 mm	50 mm	45 mm

- (b) For fruit sized by weight:

	<i>“Extra”</i>	<i>Class I</i>	<i>Class II</i>
Large-fruited varieties	130 g	110 g	110 g
Other varieties	110 g	100 g	75 g

Summer pears included in the annex to this standard do not have to respect the minimum size.

To ensure uniformity in size, the range in size between produce in the same package shall not exceed:

(a) For fruit sized by diameter:

- 5 mm for “Extra” Class fruit and for Class I and II fruit packed in rows and layers
- 10 mm for Class I fruit packed packed in sales packages or loose in the package.

(b) For fruit sized by weight:

- for “Extra” Class and Class I and II fruit packed in rows and layers:

<i>Range (g)</i>	<i>Weight difference (g)</i>
75 – 100	15
100 – 200	35
200 – 250	50
> 250	80

- for Class I fruit packed loose packed in sales packages or loose in the package:

<i>Range (g)</i>	<i>Weight difference (g)</i>
75 – 100	25
100 – 200	50
> 200	100