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Revision of UNECE Standards

UNECE Standard for Watermelons FFV-37 (2012)

Proposal by Hungary

The delegation of Hungary suggests that “Extra” Class category be introduced in the standard:

II. Provisions concerning quality

B. Classification

‘Extra’ Class

Watermelons must be of superior quality. They must be characteristic of the variety.

They must be free from defects, with the exception of very slight superficial defects, provided these do not affect the general appearance of the produce, the quality, the keeping quality and presentation in the package.

IV. Provisions concerning tolerances

A. Quality tolerances

‘Extra’ Class

A total tolerance of 5 per cent, by number or weight, of watermelons not satisfying the requirements of the class but meeting those of Class I is allowed. Within this tolerance not more than 0.5 per cent in total may consist of produce satisfying the requirements of Class II quality.
