

Specialized Section on Standardization of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

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UNECE Standard for Apricots FFV-02 (2011)

Proposal by Germany

It is proposed that inter-specific hybrids of apricots and plums should be covered by the standard for apricots if the fruit show apricot characteristics. The justification is, that traders and consumers are not interested in breeding concepts, they just want to buy fruit of good or acceptable quality. They do not understand why a high price produce like aprium looking like apricots is not covered by the standard. On the other hand, the standard could help to clarify the common name of those fruit.

The proposal is as follows:

I. Definition of produce

In the 1st sentence and after *Prunus armeniaca* L. the following words should be added to read

“and inter-specific hybrids derived from apricot (*Prunus armeniaca*) and plums (*Prunus domestica*) showing apricot characteristics”.

VI. Provisions concerning marking – B. Nature of produce

In the first indent it should read “apricots” or – where appropriate – “apricot-plum hybrids” if the contents are not visible from the outside.

¹ A non-exhaustive list of large-fruited and summer pear varieties is included in the annex to this standard.