

HIDES (GRADING AND MARKING) RULES, 1937

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HIDES (GRADING AND MARKING) RULES, 1937

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act, 1937 (1 of 1937), the Governor General in Council is pleased to make the following rules, which have already been published as required under the section mentioned above.

1. Short title and application :-

- (1) These rules may be called the Hides (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1937.
- (2) They shall apply to hides produced in India.

2. Grade designations :-

Grade designations to indicate the quality of hides (kips, buffaloes and calves) are set out in column 1 of Schedule I.

3. Definition of quality :-

The quality indicated by such grade designations is set out, against such designations, in columns 2 to II of Schedule 1.

4. Grade designation marks :-

The grade designation mark shall be indicated by 2, 3 or 4 holes of ¹/₁₆ [6 mm] diameter, representing A, B or C grades respectively.

1. Subs. by S.O. 1335, dated 25th April, 1962, for the figure ¹/₁₆"

5. Method of marking :-

The holes shall be punched on each hide at the root of the tail at a distance of 2(6 mm] from each other and shall be arranged as shown in Schedule II. A lead seal bearing the word AGMARK on one side and a letter representing one of the weight groups namely H, M, L, or C, as the case may be, on the other, shall be secured to each hide by a piece of twine tag which should be passed through all the holes. The place of packing shall also be indicated on the lead seal in code letters.

This rule prescribes the method of marking. It lays down that holes shall be punched on each hide at the root of tail at a distance of 6 mm from each other as provided in Schedule II. The rule further provides for the affixing of a lead seal with a twine bearing the word "AGMARK" on one side and a letter of the weight group. It should also show the place of packing.

SCHEDULE 1

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(See rule 2 and rule 3)					
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Grade designation and definition of quality for hides (kips. Buffaloes and Calves) produced in India					
		Definition of quality			
		Special characteristics respecting state or condition		General characteries	
			Trimmed weight prior		

C **		Rib marks	At least one	At least half the		Allowed if	Reasonably	Shallow cuts	Not more than	Do Li
ght (L)		25 to 40 Ib.	8 to 18 Ib.							
	freely	half of the hide	hide shall be un	on neck,	free from deep	allowed. A rea-	10 open and	Calg(C)	Under 25 lb	Under 8
IB.										
	allowed	shall be free	affected.	belly, or	scratched.	sonable num	a reasonable			
		from brand		below hip		ber of deep	number of blind			
		marks.		joints.'	scratched.	cuts or holes	warbles allowed			
						permitted if not				
						on the butt. \$				

1 Warble holes are holes or spots which can be opened with a blunt skewer. 3

\$ shallow cuts not exceeding one-fourth of the thicknes of the hide.

** Bull hides weighing over 5kg shall not be graded higher than C. Young bull hides up to 12 Ib. may be placed in B grades but not in A.

* In the case of heavy and medium weight buffaloes only "one sore or cut mark on the hair or flesh side within of the spine" may be permitted.

SCHEDULE 2

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Grade Designation Marks for hides and the method of marking (See rule 5) .