
**TABLE POTATOES FOR EXPORT (GRADING AND MARKING)
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In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act, 1937 (1 of 1937), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, the same having been previously published as required by the said Section, namely :

1. Short title and application :-

(1) These rules may be called the Table Potatoes for Export (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1964.

(2) They shall apply to the Table Potatoes (Solonum Tuberosum) produced in India and meant for export.

2. Definitions :-

In these rules:

- (a) "Agricultural Marketing Adviser" means the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India.
- (b) "Schedule" means a Schedule appended to these rules.

3. Grade designation :-

Grade designations to indicate the quality of Table Potatoes produced in India shall be as set out in column I of Schedules II to V.

4. Definition of quality :-

The quality indicated by the respective grade designations shall be as set out against each grade designation in columns 2 to 701 Schedules II to V.

5. Grade designation mark :-

The grade designation mark shall consist of a label specifying the grade designation and bearing a design consisting of an outline map of India with the word "AGMARK" and the figures of the rising sun with the words "produce of India" and "BHARTIYA PRODUCT" resembling the one set out in Schedule 1.

6. Method of marking :-

(1) The grade designation mark label shall be securely affixed to each container in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser and shall clearly show the following particulars:-

- (a) Grade designation with the words "Table Potato for export";
- (b) variety or trade name;
- (c) net weight;
- (d) date of packing.

(2) An authorised packer may, after obtaining the prior, approval of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, mark his private trade mark on a container, in a manner approved by the said officer, provided that the private trade mark does not represent quality or grade of Table Potatoes different from that indicated by the grade designation mark affixed to the container in accordance with these rules.

7. Method of packing :-

(1) Only sound, clean and dry containers made of jute shall be used for packing. They shall be free from any insect infestation or fungus

contaminations and also be free from any undesirable smell.

(2) The containers shall be securely closed and sealed in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

(3) Each package shall contain Table Potatoes of one trade description and grade designation only.

8. Special conditions of certificate of authorisation :-

In addition to the conditions specified in rule 4 of the General (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1937, the following special conditions shall be observed by packers to the satisfaction of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser:-

(a) An authorised packer shall make such arrangements for testing table potatoes as may be prescribed by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser;

(b) An authorised packer shall provide all facilities as may be necessary for sampling, testing, etc., to the Inspecting Officer duly authorised by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser in this behalf.

SCHEDULE 1

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(See rule 5) The grade designation mark for table potatoes shall consist of the following design in conjunction with a grade designation. □ NOTE.- The Tamil and Telugu words will not occur in the labels in case where commodities are graded for the purpose of export. The labels will be of the following colour:-
 Extra Special \ \ \ \ \ \white Special \ \ \ \ \ \Red General \ \ \ \ \ \Blue

SCHEDULE 2

Grade designations and definition of quality of Table Potatoes of Mettupalayam variety (Oval or long or round or mixed*

		Definition of quality				
Grade	General	Appli	Applicable to quantities			
desig		cable to				
nation		single	Conformity	Tolerances		
		tuber's	to variety			
		size (min.	etc.**	Undersize to over	Disease, damage,	Earth and extraneous
		dia. in		size	etc.	matter
		mm.)				
1	2	3	4	5	6	'7
Extra	Reasonably clean,	46@	At least 95% by	Not more than 3%	Not more than 2%	Not more than 2% may be pre
Special	healthy potatoes,		weight must con	of the total	of the total	sent, the percentage to

	free from serious defects and suitable for human consumption.		form to the variety.	weight may pass through sieve having circular holes with a diameter of a minimum size specified (in col.3) for the grade.	weight may consist of diseased, damaged and sprouted potatoes.	be calculated on the net weight of screened potatoes.
Special	Do.	35	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
General	Do.	25	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.

SCHEDULE 3

Grade designations and definition of quality of Katua or Farukhabad Table Potatoes (round *)

Definition of quality						
Grade designation	General	Applicable to quantities	Conformity to variety etc.	Under-size or over-size	Disease, damage, etc.	Earth and extraneous matter
1	2	3	4	5	6	7-
Extra	Reasonably clean.	25@	At least 95% by weight must conform to the variety.	Not more than 3%	Not more than 2%	Not more than 2% may be present
Special	healthy potatoes, free from serious defects and suitable for human consumption.		weight must conform to the variety.	of the total weight may pass through sieve having circular holes	of the total weight may consist of diseased, damaged and sprouted	sent, the percentage to be calculated on the net weight of screened potatoes.

	consumption.			with a diameter of a minimum size specified (in col.3) for the grade.	potatoes.	
Special	Do.	20	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.

SCHEDULE 4

Grade designations and definition of quality of Table Potatoes (Oval or long*) of varieties other than Mettapalayam Potatoes

		Definition of quality				
Grade designation	General	Applicable to single tuber's size (min. dia. in mm.)	Applicable to quantities	Conformity to variety etc.	Tolerances	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Extra	Reasonably clean.	40@	At least 95% by weight must conform to the variety.	Not more than 3% of the total weight may pass through sieve having circular holes with a diameter of a minimum size specified (in col.3) for the	Not more than 2% of the total weight may consist of diseased, damaged and sprouted potatoes.	Not more than 2% may be present, the percentage to be calculated on the net weight of screened potatoes.
Special	healthy potatoes, free from serious defects and suitable for human consumption.					

Special	Do.	30	Do.	grade. Do.	Do.	Do.
General	Do.	20	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.

SCHEDULE 5

Grade designations and definition of quality of Table Potatoes (round) * other than Mettapalayam and Kativa or Farukhabad Potatoes

		Definition of quality				
Grade	General	Appli	Applicable to quantities			
desig		cable to				
nation		single	Conformity		Tolerances	
		tuber's	to variety			
		size	etc.	Undersize or over	Disease, damage, etc.	Earth and extraneous matter
		(mill. dia. in mm.)		size		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Extra	Reasonably clean,	45(a.	At least 95% by	Not more than 3%	Not more than 2%	Not more than 2% may be pre
Special	healthy potatoes,		weight must con	of the total weight	of the total weight	sent, the percentage to be cal
	Free from serious de		form to the variety.	may pass through	may consist of disea	culated on the net weight of
	fect and suitable for			sieve having circular	sed, damaged and	screened potatoes.
	human consumption.			holes with a diame	sprouted potatoes.	
				ter of the minimum		
				size specified (in		
				col.3) for the grade.		
Special	Do.	30	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.