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## **CUMIN SEEDS (GRADING AND MARKING) RULES, 1969**

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## 1. Short title and application :-

- (1) These rules may be called the Cumin Seeds (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1969.
- (2) They shall apply to Cumin Seeds produced in India and shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the (General Grading and Marking) Rules, 1937.

## 2. Definition :-

In these rules:

- (a) "Agricultural Marketing Adviser" means the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India;
- (b) "Authorised packer" means any person or body of persons who has been issued a certificate of authorisation by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser authorising such person or body of persons to grade and mark Cumin Seeds under Agmark.
- (c) "Cumin Seed" means Cuminum Cyminum L, whether powdered or not.

## 3. Grade designation :-

The grade designation to indicate the quality of,

- (i) Cumin Seeds (not powdered) shall be as set out in column 1 of Schedule II; and
- (ii) Cumin Seeds (powdered) shall be as set out in column 1 of Schedule III.

## 4. Definition of quality :-

The characteristics of the quality indicated by the respective grade designations;

- (i) specified in column 1 of Schedule II shall be as set out against each grade designation in columns 2 to 7 of that Schedule, and
- (ii) specified in column 1 of Schedule III shall be as set out in columns 2 to 5 of that Schedule.

## 5. Grade designation marks :-

- (1) The grade designation mark in the case of Cumin Seeds (whole or powdered) packed in polythene or paper bags or both shall consist of a printed design incorporating the number of certificate of authorisation, the word "Agmark" and the grade approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser. The design to be used for the purpose shall be got approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser before it is actually printed.
- (2) The grade designation mark in the case of Cumin Seeds in powdered form packed in tins or glass containers shall consist of a paste-on label specifying the grade designation with the word "Agmark".
- (3) The grade designation mark in the case of Cumin Seeds (whole or powdered) packed in containers of jute or cloth as well as on containers in which sealed polythene or paper bags of graded Cumin Seeds (whole or powdered) are packed shall consist of a label specifying the grade designation and bearing the design (consisting of an out-line map of India with the word "AGMARK" and the figure of risingsun with the words "Produce of India") and resembling the one as set out in Schedule 1.

# 6. Method of marking :-

(1) The grade designation mark shall be securely affixed to, or where under rule 5 it is allowed to be printed shall

be printed on, each container in the manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

- (2) The following particulars shall also be clearly and indelibly marked on each container, namely:
- (i) date of packing in code or plain letters,
- (ii) lot number, and
- (iii) net weight.
- (3) An authorised packer shall not affix or print any mark (including trade mark) on a container in which Cumin Seeds are packed which indicates or is likely to indicate a quality or grade different from that indicated by the grade designation mark of the article unless he obtains the approval of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser in this behalf.

## 7. Method of packing :-

- (1) Only sound, clean and dry containers made of jute, cloth, paper or polythene, tin or glass shall be used for packing. They shall be free from any insect infestation or fungus contamination and also 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 Cumin Seeds, either whole or powdered, of one 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 authorised packers to the satisfaction of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, namely:

- (1) An authorised packer shall make such arrangements for testing Cumin Seeds as the Agricultural Marketing Adviser may specify by general or special order from time to time.
- (2) An authorised packer shall provide such facilities as may be necessary to the Inspecting Officer, duly authorised by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser in this behalf, to discharge their duties under these rules.

#### 9. Repeal and savings :-

The Cumin Seeds (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1964 are hereby repealed without prejudice to the previous operation of the said rules or anything duly done or suffered thereunder.

SCHEDULE 1
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Design for the grade designation mark

SCHEDULE 2

(See rule 3 and rule 4) Grade designation and definition of quality cumin seeds (unpowdered)
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be Fair \\\\\ reasonably dry with \\\\\ moisture not ex- \\\\\\ ceeding 10 per \\\\\\ cent. 4. Cumin $\$ 5.0 $\$ 5.0 $\$ 5
shall be free Average \\\\\\ from visible mould \\\\\ or insect infestation \\\\\\ and musty odour. \\\\\ They shall
from any \ \ \ \ \ harmful foreign \ \ \ \ \ matter. 5. "Non- specified Grade: As agreed between buyer and exporter

NOTE: Extraneous matter per cent.' includes dirts, dust, stone, pieces, stalks, stem or straw of any other impurity. 'Other Seeds' include so Cumin. 'Damaged and Discoloured seeds' are those seeds that are internally damaged and discoloured, the damage and discolouration ma quality. "Weevilled Seeds" are those seeds that are partially or wholly bored or eaten by weevil or other insects. 'Shrivelled and Immature Seeds that are not properly developed. Export of Cumin Seeds under non-specified grade shall be subject to the production of a firm orde which shall indicate the quality, and the quantity required, of the cumin seeds and shall also guarantee the payment of the price of the Cu

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(See rule 3 and rule 4) Grade designation a	d definition of quality of cumin-seeds (powdered)	
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8.0 1.5 Cumin Seed (powdered) shall be the be free from admixture, mould growth, inse	material obtained by grinding dried cumin seed, whole. General 12.0 9.5 1.5 It sh t infes- tation or musty odour.	all