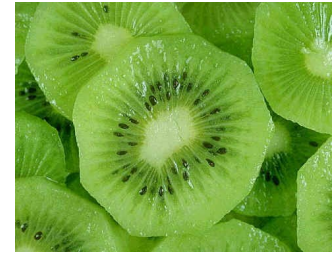


QUALITY STANDARD for KIWIFRUIT (*Actinidia chinensis*)

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Kiwifruit(Eng), Kiwi(Franç.), Kiwi(Esp.), Kiwi(Deutsch)



PROVISIONS CONCERNING MARKING

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name of packer and/or dispatcher. 2. Indication of "KIWIFRUIT" or "ACTINIDIA" if produce is not visible from the outside. 3. Origin of produce (country, nation, region...) 4. Classes: "Extra" Class; Class I; Class II. 5. Size expressed by the minimum and maximum weight of the fruit. 6. BNDOO code (national databank of fruit and vegetables operators). 7. Name of the variety and number of fruits (optional). 	<p>The kiwifruit must be: intact (but free of peduncle), sound, clean, firm, well formed (double/multiple fruit being excluded), free from damage caused by pests, any foreign smell and/or taste, abnormal external moisture.</p> <p>The fruit at packing, dispatching and importing/exporting stages must have attained a degree of ripeness of at least 6.2 degrees Brix, which should reach 9.5 degrees Brix when entering the distribution chain.</p>
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PROVISIONS CONCERNING SIZING

PROVISIONS CONCERNING PRESENTATION

<p>Size is determined by the weight of the fruit.</p> <p>a. Minimum weight for "Extra" Class 90 g b. Minimum weight for Class I 70 g c. Minimum weight for Class II 65 g</p> <p>Size scale: number of fruit and average fruit weight in a 3kg package.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">No. of fruit</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Average weight</th> <th style="text-align: left;">No. of fruit</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Average weight</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>23</td> <td>130 g</td> <td>33</td> <td>90 g</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25</td> <td>120 g</td> <td>36</td> <td>80-85 g</td> </tr> <tr> <td>27</td> <td>110 g</td> <td>39</td> <td>75 – 80g</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30</td> <td>100 g</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Uniformity The difference in weight between the largest and smallest fruit in each package must not exceed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10 g for fruit of weight up to 85 g - 15 g for fruit weighing between 85 g and 120 g - 20 g for fruit weighing between 120 g and 150 g - 40 g for fruit weighing 150 g or more. <p>Tolerance of 10%, by number or weight, of kiwifruit weighing not less than 85 g ("Extra" Class), 67 g (Class I), 62 g (Class II).</p>	No. of fruit	Average weight	No. of fruit	Average weight	23	130 g	33	90 g	25	120 g	36	80-85 g	27	110 g	39	75 – 80g	30	100 g			<p>In the "Extra" Class, the kiwifruit must be arranged on a single layer in the package; each fruit must be separated from the other.</p> <p>The contents of each package must be uniform and contain only kiwifruit of the same origin, variety, quality and size.</p>
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QUALITY TOLERANCES IN THE SAME PACKAGE

PROVISIONS CONCERNING TOLERANCES

<p>"Extra" Class: 5% by number or weight of kiwifruit not satisfying the requirements of the class but meeting those of Class I.</p> <p>Class I: 10% by number or weight of kiwifruit not satisfying the requirements of the class but meeting those of Class II.</p> <p>Class II: 10% by number or weight of kiwifruit satisfying neither the requirements of the class nor the minimum requirements, with the exception of produce affected by rotting or any other deterioration rendering it unfit for consumption.</p>	<p>"Extra" Class: kiwifruit in this class must be of superior quality, free from defects with the exception of very slight superficial defects, with a ratio of the minimum/maximum diameter of the fruit measured at the equatorial section of at least 0.8 or more.</p> <p>Class I: kiwifruit in this class must be of good quality, firm, the flesh must be perfectly sound. The following slight defects, however, may be allowed: slight defects in shape and colouring; slight skin defects, provided the total area affected does not exceed 1 cm²; small "Hayward mark", with a ratio of the minimum/maximum diameter of the fruit measured at the equatorial section of at least 0.7 or more.</p> <p>Class II: kiwifruit in this class must satisfy the minimum requirements specified above and must be reasonably firm. Defects in shape and colouring are allowed, as well as skin defects, provided that the total area affected does not exceed 2 cm²; more pronounced "Hayward mark" and small healed cuts are allowed, yet not exceeding 1,5 cm² of the total area.</p>
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