

WAC 16-406-020 Grade and size tolerances. Numerical count may be used to determine percent of grade tolerances.

(1) When containers are marked with a numerical count, the apricots in any container must not vary more than one-quarter inch in diameter.

(2) To allow for variations incident to proper sizing, no more than ten percent, by count, in any package may be below the specified minimum size.

(3) To allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling, the following tolerances apply:

(a) No more than ten percent in any lot may be below grade requirements.

(b) No more than five percent for defects or damage by insect causing serious damage.

(c) No more than one percent decay or internal breakdown.

(d) An additional tolerance: For Washington No. 1 grade, no more than ten percent, by count, in any lot may be damaged (but not seriously damaged) by bruising.

(4) When applying the tolerances in subsection (1) of this section to the Washington combination grade:

(a) No part of any tolerance can be used to reduce the percentage of Washington No. 1 apricots required for the combination grade.

(b) Individual containers may contain forty percent Washington No. 1 grade apricots if the entire lot averages fifty percent.

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