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PROPOSALS TO REVISE UN/ECE STANDARDS

Beans

Note by the Secretariat : The following proposal is reproduced in the form in which it was submitted by the European Union. Proposed additions to the existing standard have been printed in bold with a grey background and deletions are crossed out.

Proposal to Revise UN/ECE Standard FFV-06 (Beans)

II. PROVISIONS CONCERNING QUALITY

B. Classification

iii) Class II

This class includes beans which do not qualify for inclusion in the higher classes but satisfy the minimum requirements specified above.

They must be:

- reasonably tender
- ~~practically free of rust spots; except for needle beans which must be~~ free from rust spots **in the case of needle beans**

Seeds if present should not be too large and must be reasonably soft.

The following defects may be allowed provided the beans retain their essential characteristics as regards the quality, the keeping quality and presentation:

- defects in shape
 - defects in colouring
 - skin defects
 - strings
 - **slight rust spots except in the case of needle beans**
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