WAC 16-436-160 Tolerances for Washington extra fancy and combination extra fancy and fancy peaches. In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading, handling, and sizing the following tolerances, by count, apply to Washington extra fancy and Washington combination extra fancy and fancy peaches.

(1) Not more than ten percent of the peaches in any lot may fail to meet grade requirements.

(a) Not more than five percent is allowed for defects causing serious damage.

(b) Not more than one percent is allowed for decay at the shipping point.

(2) At the time of packing, an additional tolerance of not more than ten percent is allowed in any lot for damage, but not serious damage, by bruising.

(3) Not more than ten percent of the peaches in any lot may be below the specified minimum size.

(4) Not more than fifteen percent of the peaches in any lot may be above any specified maximum size.

(5) When applying these tolerances to combination grades, no part of any tolerance is allowed to reduce, for the lot as a whole, the seventy-five percent of peaches of the higher grade required in the combination. Individual containers must have at least sixty-five percent of the higher grade.

(6) En route or at destination, an additional tolerance of two percent is allowed for soft, overripe, or decayed peaches.

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