

Market Produce Specifications:

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PRODUCE: HERBS
TYPE: Coriander
VARIETY: Various
CLASS: One

GENERAL APPEARANCE CRITERIA

COLOUR	<i>Bright mid green leaves and stem.</i>
VISUAL APPEARANCE	<i>Round, branching and finely grooved stems; broad, thin leaves with fine, serrated edge; three lobes per leaf; thin clean root attached; no foreign matter.</i>
SENSORY	<i>Crisp stems, with upright (not wilted) leaves; distinct, musky flavour and aroma; no foreign tastes or odours.</i>
SHAPE	<i>Pairs of compound leaves arranged along long, thin stems.</i>
SIZE	<i>Bunched stems 250 - 350 mm long, bunch weight >50 g, >8 stems per bunch. Pre packed produce 150 -250 mm long. As per pre-ordered requirements.</i>
MATURITY	<i>Loose plants with broad leaves; no evidence of flower bud formation or small, tight leaves at plant apex (bolting)</i>

MAJOR DEFECTS

INSECTS	<i>With obvious live insects or other pests eg. scale, aphids.</i>
DISEASES	<i>With bacterial or fungal infection (eg bacterial soft rots, mould, leaf spots)</i>
	<i>With distortion or yellow mottling due to viral infection.</i>
PHYSICAL / PEST DAMAGE	<i>With deep abrasion or crushed areas affecting > 10% of leaves per bunch</i>
	<i>With obvious physical contamination.</i>
	<i>With wilting or yellowing leaves (dehydrated, senescent).</i>
TEMPERATURE INJURY	<i>With bleached areas on the surface of the leaf or stem (sunburn).</i>
	<i>With evidencing of bud formation (bolting) affecting > 1 stem per bunch.</i>

MINOR DEFECTS

PHYSICAL / PEST DAMAGE	<i>With superficial insect or pest damage affecting > 10% of leaves</i>
SKIN MARKS / BLEMISHES	<i>With superficial russeting, abrasion or rub damage affecting > 10% of leaves</i>
	<i>With cuts, holes or splits affecting > 10% of leaves</i>
PHYSIOLOGICAL DISORDERS	<i>With evidence of bud formation (bolting) affecting > 1 stem per bunch.</i>

CONSIGNMENT CRITERIA

TOLERANCE PER CONSIGNMENT	<i>Total minor defects (within allowance limit) to be < 2 defects per item Total minor defects (outside allowance limit) must not exceed 10% of consignment. Total major defects must not exceed 2 % of consignment. Combined Total must not exceed 10%.</i>
PACKAGING & LABELLING	<i>Packaging manufactured from new food grade materials or sanitised returnable crates. All labelling must meet the current legislative requirements. Labelling to identify grower's name/brand (plus growers name/code if via a packhouse), address, contents, class, size and minimum net weight. Produce to identify 'Packed On' date (eg. Pkd DD/MM/YY) and Country of Origin (eg. Produce of Australia) on outer container.</i>
SHELF LIFE	<i>Produce must provide not less than 14 days clear shelf life from date of receipt.</i>
RECEIVAL CONDITIONS	<i>Compliance with Quarantine Treatments (if required) for Interstate Consignment. Stacked onto a stabilised pallet as pre-ordered. Refrigerated van with air bag suspension, unless otherwise approved. Pulp Temperature 4 - 10° C.</i>
CHEMICAL & CONTAMINANT RESIDUES	<i>All chemicals used pre/postharvest must be registered and approved for use in accordance with the requirements of the APVMA regulatory system. Residues, Contaminants and Heavy Metals to comply with the FSANZ Food Standards Code MRL's and ML's.</i>
FOOD SAFETY REQUIREMENTS	<i>Produce is to be grown and packed under a HACCP based food safety program that is subject to an annual third-party audit. A copy of current certification to be forwarded to receiver. Produce that meets the above specifications but is not grown under a HACCP based food safety program must not be labelled Class 1.</i>

Specifications reviewable: eg. to account for specific regional effects or adverse seasonal impacts on quality or early or late seasonal variances as agreed and communicated formally in writing.