Rule 40-7-7-.06. Size Classifications for Shelled Halves

(1) The size of pecan halves in a lot may be specified in accordance with one of the size classifications shown in Table I.

TABLE I Size Classifications for Pecan Halves				
Size classifications for halves	Number of halves per pound			
Georgia Grands	<u>200 or less</u>			
Mammoth	<u>201-</u> 250 or less			
Junior Mammoth	251-300			
Jumbo	301- 360 - <u>350</u>			
Extra large	351- 460 - <u>450</u>			
Large	451-550			
Medium	551-650			
Small (topper)	651-750			
Midget Extra Small	751 or More			

- (a) The number of halves per pound shall be based upon the weight of half kernels after all pieces, particles and dust, shell, center wall, and foreign material have been removed.
- (b) In lieu of the size classifications in Table I, the size of pecan halves in a lot may be specified in terms of the number of halves or a range of numbers of halves per pound. For example, "400" or "400 600 700".
- (c) Tolerance for count per pound: In order to allow for variations incident to proper sizing, a tolerance shall be permitted as follows:
 - 1. When an exact number of halves per pound is specified, the actual count per pound may vary not more than 5 percent from the specified number: and
 - 2. When any size classification shown in Table I or a range in count per pound is specified, no tolerance shall be allowed for counts outside of the specified range.
- (d) Tolerances for pieces, particles, and dust. In order to allow for variations incident to proper sizing and handling, not more than 15 percent, by weight, of any lot may consist of pieces, particles, and dust: Provided, that no more than one-third of this amount, or 5 percent, shall be allowed for portions less than one-half of a complete half kernel, including not more than 1 percent for particles and dust.

Rule 40-7-7-.07. Size Classifications for Shelled Pieces

(1) The size of pecan pieces in a lot may be specified in accordance with one of the size classifications shown in Table II. Pecan pieces smaller than granules as defined below shall be considered Pecan Meal.

Table II Tolerance for Size of Pieces						
Size Classification	Minimum Maximum diameter (will pass through round opening of this size following diameter)	Minimum diameter (will not pass through round opening of this size following diameter)				
Mammoth Pieces	No Limitation	8/16 Inch				
Extra Large Pieces	9/16 Inch	7/16 Inch				
Halves and Pieces	No Limitation	5/16 Inch				
Large Pieces	8/16 Inch	5/16 Inch				
Medium Pieces	6/16 Inch	3/16 Inch				
Small Pieces	4/16 Inch	2/16 Inch				
MidgetExtra Small Pieces	3/16 Inch	1/16 Inch				
Granules	1/16 Inch	1/16 Inch				

- (a) In lieu of the size classifications in Table II, the size of pieces in a lot may be specified in terms of minimum diameter, or as a range described in terms of minimum and maximum diameters expressed in sixteenths or sixty-fourths of an inch.
- (b) Tolerances for size of pieces: In order to allow for variations incident to proper sizing, tolerances are provided for pieces in a lot which fail to meet the requirements of any size specified. The tolerances, by weight, are shown in Table III.

Table III						
Tolerance for Offsize Pieces						
Size Classification	Total Tolerance for Offsize Pieces	Tolerance (Included in Total Tolerance) for				
		Pieces Smaller than				
		2/16 Inch	1/16 Inch			
Mammoth Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	1 <u>%</u>	-			
Extra Large Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	1 <u>%</u>	-			

Halves and Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	1 <u>%</u>	-
Larges Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	1 <u>%</u>	-
Medium Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	2 <u>%</u>	-
Small Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	2 <u>%</u>	-
MidgetExtra Small Pieces	15 <u>%</u>	-	2 <u>%</u>
Granules	15 <u>%</u>	-	5 <u>%</u>
Other Specified Size	15 <u>%</u>	1 <u>%</u>	-

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