

FRUIT, MARKETING OF.

Rules.

THE MARKETING OF FRUIT RULES (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1935,
DATED 19TH NOVEMBER, 1935.

1935. No. 140.

The Ministry of Agriculture by virtue and in exercise of the powers for this purpose vested in it by the Marketing of Fruit Act (Northern Ireland, 1931 (21 and 22 Geo. V, ch. 8) and of every other power in that behalf enabling it hereby makes the rules following, that is to say :—

I. *Short Title.*

These Rules shall be known as the Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland), 1935.

II. *Amendment of the Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland), 1933.*

The Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland), 1933, shall be read and have effect as if the following were substituted for the Fourth Schedule thereto :—

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

MARKETING OF FRUIT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931.

I. *Methods of Packing.*

(1) Apples packed in any container shall be so packed that any fruit exposed to view, or which would be exposed to view if the container were opened in the ordinary manner, fairly represents in size, maturity, condition and variety the entire contents of the container.

(2) *British Standard Apple Box and Half-Bushel Box.*

(a) The sides and ends of the box shall be lined with paper or corrugated cardboard. A sheet of corrugated cardboard shall be placed, smooth side next the fruit, below the bottom layer and another sheet above the top layer of apples.

(b) The apples shall be packed in the manner known to the trade as "the diagonal pack," and shall have sufficient bulge on the top and bottom of the box so that when the lid is nailed down the apples are held firmly in position.

(3) *Box "X" (containing about 70 lb.).*

(a) The sides and ends of the box shall be lined with paper or corrugated cardboard. A sheet of corrugated cardboard shall be placed, smooth side next the fruit, below the bottom layer and another sheet above the top layer of apples.

(b) The apples shall be firmly packed in the box and shall have sufficient bulge on the top and bottom of the box so that when the lid is nailed down the apples are held firmly in position.

(4) *Barrel, Half-barrel, and Quarter-barrel.*

(a) *Wooden-headed.*

A single disc of corrugated cardboard, smooth side to the fruit, or a single sheet of paper shall be placed below the bottom layer and one above the top layer of apples in the barrel. The first two layers of apples placed in the barrel shall be packed by hand in the manner known to the trade as "ringed in." The remainder of the apples shall be firmly packed so that when the head of the barrel is fixed all the fruit will be securely held in position.

(b) *Open-headed.*

The apples shall be packed firmly in the barrel. A single disc of corrugated cardboard, smooth side to the fruit, or a sheet of paper shall be placed below the bottom layer. When the barrel has been filled up to at least six inches of the top the inside shall be lined with paper which shall be folded over the rim of the barrel. When the barrel has been filled the overlapping paper shall be used to cover the top of the apples. A layer of wood-wool of sufficient thickness shall be placed on top of this paper to ensure that the cover with which the apples in the barrel shall be secured shall not damage the apples. Alternatively clean, dry hay or straw or other material that will not taint the fruit may be used, provided it is secured in such manner as not to damage the apples.

II. *Packages and Packing Material.*

1. Apples shall be packed in any of the following containers, specifications for the construction of which are given below —

- (1) British Standard Apple Box for 38 to 45 lb.
- (2) Half-bushel Box for 19 to 22 lb.
- (3) Box "X" (containing about 70 lb.).
- (4) Barrel for 126 to 140 lb.
- (5) Half-barrel for 56 to 62 lb.
- (6) Quarter-barrel for 34 to 36 lb.

2. No packing materials other than those specified in the preceding section (i. Methods of packing), may be used.

3. All packages and packing materials shall be clean and free from odours likely to affect the flavour of the apples.

*Specifications for Containers.*1. "*British Standard Apple Box.*"

Internal dimensions	18 in. x 11½ in. x 10½ in.
Ends	2 pieces—11½ in. x 10½ in. x 11/16 in.*
Sides	4 " 19½ in. x 5 in. x 5/16 in.*
Top and bottom	4 " 19½ in. x 5½ in. x 3/16 in.*
Cleats	4 " 11 in. x ¾ in. x ¼ in.

Cement coated nails only to be used.

2. "*Half-bushel Box.*" :

Internal dimensions	14½ in. x 9 in. x 9 in.
Ends	2 pieces 9 in. x 9 in. x 7/16 in.*
Sides, top and bottom	8 " 15¾ in. x 4½ in. x 3/16 in.* or
	4 " 15¾ in. x 9 in. x 3/16.
Cleats	4 " 9 in. x ¾ in. x 3/16 in.

Cement coated nails only to be used.

3. *Box "X"* :

Internal dimensions	20 in. x 14 in. x 13 in.
Ends	2 pieces 14 in. x 13 in. x ¼ in.*
Battens for ends	4 " 13 in. x 1½ in. x ½ in.;
Sides	4 " 21½ in. x 6½ in. x ¾ in.*
Top and bottom	4 " 21 in. x 7 in. x 7/32 in.*
Cleats	4 " 14 in. x ¾ in. x ¼ in.

Cement coated nails only to be used, save for fixing battens.

4. "*Apple Barrel.*" :

Internal dimensions :	
Minimum diameter of head 16½ in.
" length between heads 26 in.
" diameter at bulge 18½ in.

5. "*Half-Barrels.*" :(a) "*Grape Barrel.*" :

Internal dimensions :	
Minimum diameter of head 14½ in.
" length between heads 16½ in.
" diameter at bulge 16 in.

(b) "*Standard 112 lb. Butter Cask.*" :

Internal dimensions	
Minimum diameter of head 13½ in.
" length between heads 19½ in.
" diameter at bulge 15½ in.

*These measurements must be actual not nominal.

6. "Quarter-barrel":
 "Standard 56 lb. Butter Cask":

Internal dimensions

Minimum diameter of head	11½ in.
" length between heads	19½ in.
" diameter at bulge	13 in.

*These measurements must be actual, not nominal.

III. *Marking.*

Each box shall be indelibly marked on one outside end or on a label firmly attached to one outside end and each barrel, half-barrel, or quarter-barrel shall be marked on the side or head or on a label firmly attached thereto with —

- (a) the number of licence or permit;
- (b) the variety;
- (c) description "C," "F," or "E.F."

IV. *Commencement.*

These Rules shall come into operation on the twentieth day of November, 1935.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland, is hereunto affixed this 19th day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-five.

(L.S.)

(Signed),

G. S. Robertson,

Secretary.

THE MARKETING OF FRUIT RULES (NORTHERN IRELAND) NO. 2
 OF 1935, DATED 9TH DECEMBER, 1935.

1935. No. 150.

The Ministry of Agriculture by virtue and in exercise of the powers for this purpose vested in it by the Marketing of Fruit Act (Northern Ireland), 1931 (21 and 22 Geo. V., Ch. 8) and of every other power in that behalf enabling it hereby makes the Rules following, that is to say:—

I. *Short Title.*

These Rules shall be known as the Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland) No. 2 of 1935.

II. *Amendment of the Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland), 1933.*

The Marketing of Fruit Rules (Northern Ireland), 1933, shall be read and have effect as if the following were substituted for the Sixth Schedule (B) thereto:—

SIXTH SCHEDULE (B).

MARKETING OF FRUIT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931.

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