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CABBAGE

Scoring Guide for Seedstems

The Standards states that U.S. No. 1 shall consist of heads which are free from seedstems; and, seedstems are defined as heads which have seed stalks showing or in which the formation of seed stalk has plainly begun.

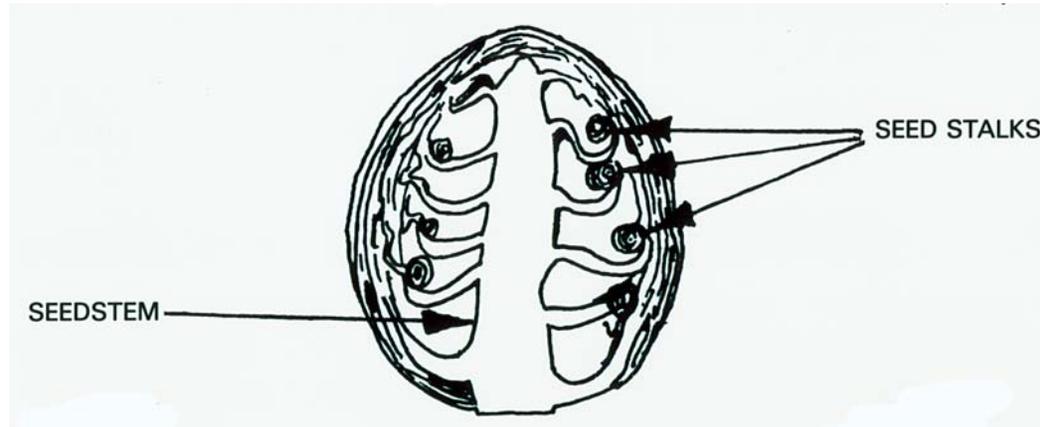


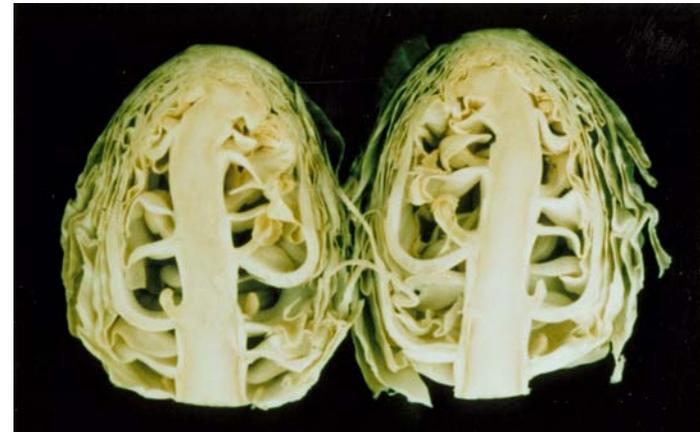
Photo I



U.S. No. 1

Seedstem with no seed stalks, allowed under definition in standards.

Photo II



Seedstem with seed stalks plainly begun, should be scored.

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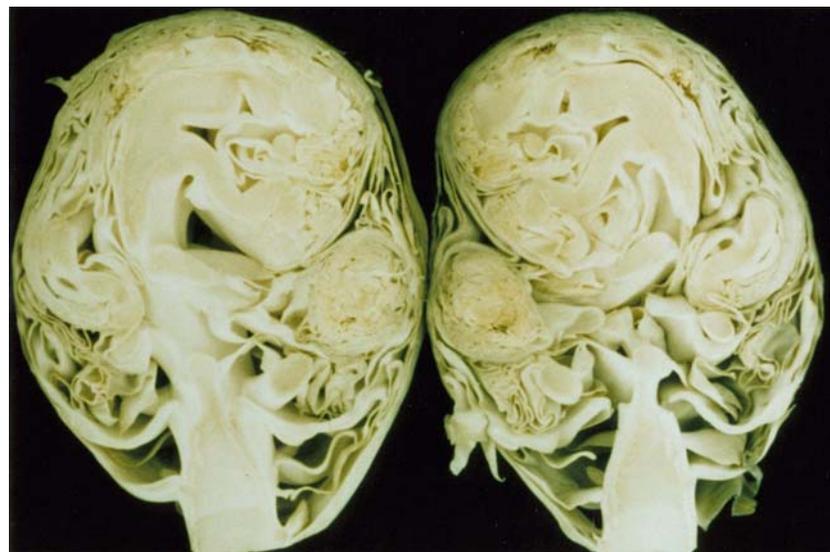
The handbook states that heads which have noticeable bumps or bulges caused by seedstems should be scored; and, heads in which a seed stalk penetrates the outer leaves should be scored as serious damage.

Photo III



Seedstem has penetrated the outer leaves (on left) or the seed stalks have developed to seriously affect appearance, score as serious damage.

Photo IV



Score as serious damage.

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WELL TRIMMED AND POORLY TRIMMED HEADS

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STEMS PROPERLY AND IMPROPERLY TRIMMED.

**Cabbage, Photo No. 2
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BOTH HEADS ILLUSTRATE LOWER LIMIT OF REASONABLE SOLIDITY FOR SOUTHERN DOMESTIC TYPE WHICH SHALL BE AT LEAST FAIRLY FIRM FOR U.S. NO. 1 GRADE.

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HEAD ON LEFT OVER-RIPE, NOTE BASE OF LEAVES SEPARATING FROM STEM. MIDDLE HEAD SHOWS SEED STEM BREAKING THROUGH CROWN. HEAD ON RIGHT SHOWS BAD WORM INJURY. NONE OF THESE HEADS U.S. NO. 1.

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