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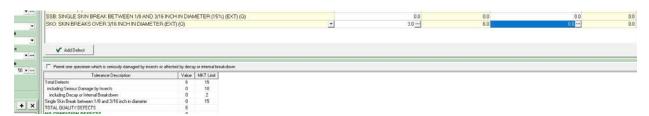
Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Specialty Crops Inspection Division

PATCH # 055

DOCUMENT: Fresh Electronic Inspection Reporting/Resource System (FEIRS) electronic programs revision when reporting skin breaks/stem punctures for winter pears.

REMARKS: The following guidance is provided for FEIRS users when encountering winter pears showing one skin break 1/8 to 3/16 inch including diameter or depth.

Currently, FEIRS is incorrectly computing the defect values on the scoresheet portion of FEIRS while inspecting <u>winter</u> pears only.



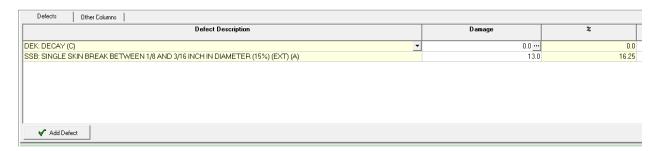
The above example is incorrect. According to the standard, "not more than 15 percent of the pears in any container may have not more than one skin break from one-eighth inch to three-sixteenths inch, inclusive, in diameter or depth."

CODE	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
OTH	CUSTOM NUMBER (SHOW (MIN/MAX/AVG) $\%$ OF VALUE1/CUT	CUTNUMF
OTH	CUSTOM NUMBER (SHOW (MIN/MAX/AVG) % OF VALUE1/SAM	NUMPCT
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OTH	CUSTOM TEXT (SHOW UNIQUE VALUES ENTERED)	TEXT
OTH	CUSTOM YES/NO (SHOW PERCENT OF YES AND NO VALUES	PICKYN

Create and maintain a separate column created in the FEIRS Other Columns. To create a custom column, select the "ADD COLUMN" button. Choose the second option (as seen above) so the percentage scored is tracked. Name this column "Single Skin Break/Unhealed Stem Puncture from 1/8 to 3/16 of an inch in depth or diameter." Maintaining this other column is critical. The inspector is to maintain this percentage in order to determine if the 15% allowance has been exceeded for any one sample.

Defects Other Columns			
Column Name	Value 1		
BLUSH: COLOR			
BLUSH: SURFACE AREA			
DARK SKIN DISCOLORATION: AREA AFFECTED			
DARK SKIN DISCOLORATION: COLOR(S)			
MEETS CONDITIONS OF STANDARD PACK			
PACK			
PACK: AMOUNT OF SLACK IN PACK			
SIZE			
SKIN BREAKS/STEM PUNCTURES BETWEEN 1/8 AND 3/16 OF AN INCH IN DIAMETER OR DEPTH	13		
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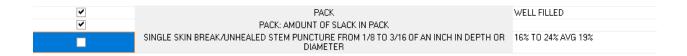
If it is determined that any one sample exceeds the 15% allowance, the defect must now be recorded in the formal "Defects" portion of the notesheet. The values from "Other Columns" will need to be entered as the amount to be scored in the "Defects" column as the allowance was exceeded.



When any one sample exceeds the 15% allowance, the inspector must return to each sample within the lot's scoresheet. Then, enter the amount that was scored previously in the Other Columns into the Defects column on the scoresheet. The correct percentage scored for the entire lot will be reported and represented on the final certificate.

When prompted with the exception popup by making the transfer changes, the inspector is to follow normal procedures and report the following statement "skin breaks/stem punctures exceed 15%."

In either scenario, prior to completing or signing the certificate, the inspector is to uncheck the box in the "Lot Summary" portion of the certificate that represents the affected specimens encountered. This is in line with typical guidance received when scoring an allowance in that the percentages are to <u>only</u> be reported when the provision, or allowance, is exceeded.



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