

Consent to the Distribution of New Therapeutic Drugs

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Food and Drug Act 1969, the Minister of Health hereby consents to the distribution in New Zealand of the new therapeutic drugs set out in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

Name of Drug	Form	Active Ingredients (as listed on label)	Name of Manufacturer	Address
Ocusert Pilo ..	Ocular therapeutic system	Pilocarpine 5 mg	Alza Pharmaceuticals	U.S.A.
Ocusert Pilo ..	Ocular therapeutic system	Pilocarpine 11 mg	Alza Pharmaceuticals	U.S.A.

Dated this 26th day of January 1977.

FRANK GILL, Minister of Health.

Standard Grade for the Export of Plums Notice 1977
(No. 1627 Ag. 12/2/14)

PURSUANT to regulation 13 of the New Zealand Grown Fruit and Vegetables Regulations 1975*, the Director-General of Agriculture and Fisheries hereby gives notice that the standard grade for the export of plums shall be as set out in this notice.

NOTICE

1. Title—(1) This notice may be cited as the Standard Grade for the Export of Plums Notice 1977.

(2) This notice shall come into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

2. Interpretation—Unless the context otherwise requires, terms and expressions used in this notice shall have the same meaning as in the New Zealand Grown Fruit and Vegetables Regulations 1975*. Certain of these terms and expressions as applicable to fruit are defined in the Schedule to this notice.

3. Application of notice—This notice determines the standard grade for the export of plums from New Zealand.

4. Title and grade—The standard grade mark assigned to this standard grade shall be "Class I" (hereinafter referred to as "the grade").

5. Definition of produce—This grade applies to plums being fresh fruit grown from varieties of *Prunus domestica* L and *Prunus salicina* Lindl. to be supplied fresh to the consumer.

6. Quality requirements—

(a) The fruit must be—

- (i) Intact—Whole fruit;
- (ii) Sound;
- (iii) Clean;
- (iv) Well formed—typical of the variety, though slight defects are permitted in shape, development and colouring;
- (v) Free from abnormal external moisture; and
- (vi) Free from foreign smell or taste.

(b) The plums must have been carefully picked and of a similar degree of maturity and colouring in the same line of produce. They must have matured sufficiently to complete the ripening process and in the opinion of an inspector, the stage of maturity must be suitable to withstand handling, storage and transport to meet the market requirements at the place of destination.

(c) The plums must be of good quality and have characteristics typical of the variety and be free of defects which—

- (i) May significantly impair the general appearance or keeping quality of the fruit; or
- (ii) Are likely to make the fruit unattractive to the purchaser.

(d) The flesh must be sound, but skin defects which are not liable to significantly impair the general appearance and keeping qualities are permitted on each plum within the following specified limits—

Each plum is permitted skin defects of a superficial nature such as light russet and that caused by limb or leaf rub and hail, provided that the aggregate area of one or more defects does not exceed 0.5 square centimetres.

The stalks may be damaged or missing, provided it is not likely that the plums will deteriorate as a result.

(e) The plums are to be free from pests, diseases, and contamination with toxic materials.

7. Sizing—

- (a) The sizing of plums is determined by the maximum diameter of the equatorial section.
- (b) The minimum sizes of plums for export shall be—

European types including gages	25 mm
Japanese types	35 mm

8. Packaging and presentation—

- (a) The contents of each package must be uniform and contain only plums—
 - (i) Grown in the same region;
 - (ii) Of similar quality;
 - (iii) Of one variety true to name; and
 - (iv) Of a similar degree of maturity and colouring.
- (b) The plums shall not be deceptively packed or stacked, and must be packed in clean new packages suitable for transport and handling so that they will not be damaged in transit. Any paper or other material used inside the package must be new and harmless to human food. When printed material is used the printing must be on the outside only so as not to come into contact with the fruit. The fruit must be free of foreign bodies such as leaves and twigs.

9. Branding requirements—Each package must bear the following particulars legibly and indelibly branded on the outside—

- (a) Identification—registered mark of grower or packing establishment, and exporter's identification;
- (b) Nature of produce—kind and variety;
- (c) Country of origin—New Zealand;
- (d) Commercial specification—grade count or size if packed, or size for loose-filled packages of 15 kg net weight or less;
- (e) Official control mark—inspection stamp or similar identification if applicable; and
- (f) Labels—if used must be of not less than 40 square centimetres.

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

"Clean" means free from dirt, dust, insect stains, or other foreign substance or material;

"Count" means the number of fruit contained in any package;

"Inspector" means an inspector appointed under the Plants Act 1970;

"Mature", in relation to fruit, means that in the opinion of an inspector the fruit will properly complete the ripening process, and is suitable for export;

"To pack" means to arrange fruit regularly and compactly in a package so that they are not loose or compressed to an extent likely to cause damage to the fruit during handling or transport;

"Sound" means free from decay, rots, overmaturity, breakdown, freezing injury, damage, and similar defects which may cause rapid loss of condition or rapid decay; and

"Storage defects" means decay, storage scald, fungal rots, wilt, or other injury to fruit as a result of storage.

Dated at Wellington this 17th day of January 1977.

M. L. CAMERON,
for Director-General of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The following notes do not form part of this standard grade, but are presented for the information of growers/exporters.