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that is reasonably bright and typical of properly ripened cherries and that is reasonably uniform in that the number of cherries that vary markedly from this color due to oxidation, improper processing, or other causes, or that are undercolored, does not exceed the number specified in Table I.

(c) (*C*) *Classification.* If the frozen red tart pitted cherries possess a fairly good red color, a score of 21 to 23 points may be given. Frozen red tart pitted cherries that fall into this classification shall not be graded above U.S. Grade C, regardless of the total score for the product (this is a limiting rule). ''Fairly good red color'' means that the frozen cherries possess a color that is fairly bright and typical of properly ripened cherries and that is fairly uniform in that the number of cherries that vary markedly from this color due to oxidation, improper processing, or other causes, or that are undercolored, does not exceed the number specified in Table I.

(d) (*SStd.*) *Classification.* Frozen red tart pitted cherries that fail to meet the requirements of U.S. Grade C may be given a score of 0 to 20 points and shall not be graded above Substandard, regardless of the total score for the product (this is a limiting rule).

§ 52.807 Freedom from pits.

(a) *General.* The factor of freedom from pits refers to the incidence of pits and pit fragments.

(b) *Definitions.* (1) A ''pit'' for the purpose of the allowances in this subpart is a whole pit or portions of pits computed as follows:

(i) A single piece of pit shell, whether or not within or attached to a whole cherry, that is larger than one-half pit shell is considered as one pit;

(ii) A single piece of pit shell, whether or not within or attached to a whole cherry, that is not larger than one-half pit shell is considered as one-half pit;

(iii) Pieces of pit shell, within or attached to a whole cherry, when their combined size is larger than one-half pit shell are considered as one pit; and

(iv) Pieces of pit shell, within or attached to a whole cherry, when their combined size is not larger than one-half pit shell are considered as one-half pit.

(2) *Drained cherries* means pitted cherries that are substantially free from any adhering sirup, sugar, or other packing medium.

(c) (*A*) *Classification.* Frozen red tart pitted cherries that are practically free from pits may be given a score of 18 to 20 points. ''Practically free from pits'' means that the number of pits that may be present does not exceed the allowances for this classification specified in Table I.

(d) (*B*) *Classification.* Frozen red tart pitted cherries that are reasonably free from pits may be given a score of 16 or 17 points. Frozen red tart pitted cherries that fall into this classification shall not be graded above U.S. Grade B, regardless of the total score for the product (this is a limiting rule). ''Reasonably free from pits'' means that the number of pits that may be present does not exceed the number specified in Table I.

(e) (*C*) *Classification.* Frozen red tart pitted cherries that are fairly free from pits may be given a score of 14 or 15 points. Frozen red tart pitted cherries that fall into this classification shall not be graded above U.S. Grade C, regardless of the total score for the product (this is a limiting rule). ''Fairly free from pits'' means that the number of pits that may be present does not exceed the number specified in Table I.

(f) (*SStd.*) *Classification.* Frozen red tart pitted cherries that fail to meet the requirements for U.S. Grade C may be given a score of 0 to 13 points and shall not be graded above Substandard, regardless of the total score for the product (this is a limiting rule).

§ 52.808 Freedom from defects.

(a) *General.* The factor of freedom from defects refers to the degree of freedom from harmless extraneous material, mutilated cherries, and cherries blemished by scab, hail injury, discoloration, scar tissue, or by other means.

(1) *Cherry* means a whole cherry, whether or not pitted, or portions of such cherries which in the aggregate approximate the average size of the cherries.

(2) *Harmless extraneous material* means any vegetable substance (including, but not being limited to, a leaf or a stem