§ 29.1135 Rule 29.

Any lot of tobacco containing 25 percent or more of an adjacent group, which otherwise meets the specifications of a grade shall be treated as a special factor grade by placing the special factor “M” preceding the grademark.

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§ 29.1136 Rule 30.

Any lot of baled tobacco that is not opened for inspection but which otherwise meets the specifications of a grade shall be graded by the exterior only.

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GRADES

§ 29.1161 [Reserved]

§ 29.1162 Leaf (B Group).

This group consists of leaves normally grown at or above the midpoint of the stalk. Leaves of the B group have a pointed tip, tend to fold, usually are heavier in body than the other groups, and show little or no ground injury.

Grades, Grade Names, Minimum Specifications, and Tolerances

B1L—Choice Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, rich in oil, deep color intensity, spready, 20 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 90 percent; injury tolerance, 5 percent.

B2L—Fine Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, rich in oil, deep color intensity, normal width, 18 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 85 percent; injury tolerance, 10 percent.

B3L—Good Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, oily, strong color intensity, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 15 percent.

B4L—Fair Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, oily, strong color intensity, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5L—Low Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, lean in oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance, 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6L—Poor Quality Lemon Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, medium body, lean in oil, weak color intensity, stringy. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 20 percent may be waste.

B1F—Choice Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, rich in oil, deep color intensity, normal width, 20 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 90 percent; injury tolerance, 5 percent.

B2F—Fine Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, rich in oil, deep color intensity, normal width, 18 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 85 percent; injury tolerance, 10 percent.

B3F—Good Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oily, strong color intensity, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 15 percent.

B4F—Fair Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oily, moderate color intensity, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5F—Low Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6F—Poor Quality Orange Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, weak color intensity, stringy. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 20 percent may be waste.

B1FR—Choice Quality Orange Red Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, rich in oil, deep color intensity, spready, 20 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 90 percent; injury tolerance, 5 percent.

B2FR—Fine Quality Orange Red Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, rich in oil, deep color intensity, normal width, 18 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 85 percent; injury tolerance, 10 percent.

B3FR—Good Quality Orange Red Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oily, strong color intensity, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 15 percent.

B4FR—Fair Quality Orange Red Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oily, moderate color intensity, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5FR—Low Quality Orange Red Leaf

Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6FR—Poor Quality Orange Red Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, weak color intensity, stringy. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 20 percent may be waste.

B3KR—Low Quality Variegated Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, heavy, lean in oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B3KL—Good Quality Variegated Lemon Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 15 percent.

B4K—Fair Quality Variegated Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5K—Low Quality Variegated Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6K—Poor Quality Variegated Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5KR—Low Quality Variegated Dark Red Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B6KD—Poor Quality Variegated Dark Red Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, lean in oil, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B5KD—Low Quality Variegated Dark Red Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance 15 percent.

B4KR—Fair Quality Variegated Red or Scorched Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance 15 percent.

B4KV—Fair Quality Variegated Dark Red Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance 15 percent.

B5KV—Low Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6KM—Poor Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, weak color intensity, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B5LM—Low Quality Lemon Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance 15 percent.

B4LM—Fair Quality Lemon Leaf
Ripe, firm leaf structure, fleshy, oil, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance 15 percent.
§ 29.1163 **Smoking Leaf (H Group).**

This group consists of leaves normally grown at or above the midportion of the stalk. Leaves of the H group show a high degree of maturity, more open leaf structure in relation to the B Group, and a material amount of injury characteristic of very ripe leaf tobacco.

**Grades, Grade Names, Minimum Specifications, and Tolerances**

H3F—Good Quality Orange Smoking Leaf

Mellow, open leaf structure, medium body, lean in oil, strong color intensity, normal width, 16 inches or over in length. Uniformity, 80 percent; injury tolerance, 15 percent.

H4F—Fair Quality Orange Smoking Leaf

Unripe, close leaf structure, heavy, normal width, 16 inches or over in length, injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

H5F—Low Quality Orange Smoking Leaf

Immature, close leaf structure, heavy, narrow, strong color intensity, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance, 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B3F—Good Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf

Unripe, close leaf structure, heavy, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.

B4F—Fair Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf

Unripe, tight leaf structure, heavy, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 20 percent may be waste.

B5F—Low Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf

Unripe, tight leaf structure, heavy, stringy. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6F—Poor Quality Variegated Mixed Leaf

Unripe, tight leaf structure, heavy, stringy. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 40 percent, of which not over 20 percent may be waste.

B3GG—Low Quality Gray Green Leaf

Immature, tight leaf structure, heavy, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B4GG—Low Quality Gray Green Leaf

Immature, tight leaf structure, heavy, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B5GG—Low Quality Gray Green Leaf

Immature, tight leaf structure, heavy, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B6GG—Low Quality Gray Green Leaf

Immature, tight leaf structure, heavy, narrow. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 30 percent, of which not over 10 percent may be waste.

B4GK—Fair Quality Green Variegated Leaf

Immature, close leaf structure, heavy, normal width. Uniformity, 70 percent; injury tolerance 20 percent, of which not over 5 percent may be waste.