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GROWER'S PACKAGING GUIDE

PLEASE USE YOUR GROWER'S NUMBER ON ALL PACKAGING.

APPLES-PEACHES-PEARS: Use standard apple, peach, or pear box. The 1/2 bu., 1-1/9 bu., and 25# Tomato Box can also be used.

ASPARAGUS: Make 1 lb. bunches. Pack in 1/2 bu. Box with butts down. Snap spears while heads are still tight. Grade by length, cut most or all white bottoms off.

BLACKBERRIES: Pack in 12 pint flats. Pick at early maturity.

BLUEBERRIES: Pack in 12 pint flats. Pick at early maturity.

BROCCOLI: Pack 10, 12, 14, or 16 heads in 1-1/9 bu. Box and add ice to top of box. When cutting, leave several inches of stem on head.

CABBAGE: Pack in cabbage bags, 1-1/9 bu. Box or bulk bins.

CANTALOPE: Pack in bulk bins or 1-1/9 bu. Boxes. Grade #1's in three sizes; small, medium, and large. Keep all bad # 2's.

CAULIFLOWER: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box or sell in bulk.

CELERY: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box

CHERRY & GRAPE TOMATOES: Pack in 12 pint flats. Fill to level full. Pick at pink or solid red.

CUCUMBERS: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box or 1/2 bu. box. Select cucumbers that are straight and 6-8 inches long. Keep out all crooks and #2's.

EGGPLANT: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1-1/9 bu. box. Grade size and shape.

EGGS: Pack in cartons, (no flats) each carton must be labeled with the producers name, address, and date collected. We will only accept eggs consigned by the original producer.

ENDIVE: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1 1/9 bu. box.

GOURDS: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1 1/9 bu. box.

HULL PEAS: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1 1/9 bu. box.

INDIAN CORN: Tie 3 ears per bundle with string or rubber band. Lay flat in 1 1/9 bu. box. Grade to uniform ear size.

LEEKs: Tie 3 to 6 per bunch; pack 12, 14, or 16 bunches in 1-1/9 bu. box.

LETTUCE: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box with 12 to 24 heads per box.

LIMA BEANS: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1-1 /9 bu. box. Pick at early maturity.

ONIONS: Pack in 10 lb. or 50 lb. bags.

PEPPERS: Pack in 1/2 bu. or 1-1/9 bu. box. Make 4 grades: small (90 or more per 1 1/9 bu. box), medium (75-85 per box), large (60-70 per box), and jumbo (45-55 per box).
Grade greens, reds, half reds, and suntans separately. Keep crooks and #2's separate.

PICKLES: Pack in 1/2 bu. box. Grade to 3 sizes: small (1 ½ to 2”) medium (2 ½ to 3 ½”), and large (3 ½ to 4 1/2”).

POTATOES: Pack in 5, 10, 20, or 50 lb. potato bags.

PUMPKINS: Grade for size and sell in bulk.

RADISHES: Tie 8-12 per bunch and pack 20 bunches per 1/2 bu. box or 40 bunches per 1-1/9 bu. box.
Add ice to maintain freshness.

RASPBERRIES- BLACKBERRIES: Pack in 12 pint flats. Pick at early maturity.

RED BEETS: Tie in bunches of 6, 7, or 8 per bunch and pack in 1/2 bu. box with 15 bunches per box, or pack loose in 1-1/9 bu. box.

RHUBARB: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. boxes. Leave a small amount of leaf.

PATTY PAN SQUASH: Pack in 1/2 bu. box.

SUMMER SQUASH: Pack in 1/2 bu. box. Grade for quality, size, and color.

SPINACH: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box with 13 lbs. per box.

SPRING ONIONS: Tie 6 to 9 in a bunch and pack in 1/2 bu. or 1-1/9 bu. boxes with 40 bunches per 1-1/9 bu.
Trim greens only enough to fit box.

SQUASH: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box. Grade for size.

STRAWBERRIES: Pack in 8 quart flats, level full. Pick at early ripe stage. Ship only clean, top quality fruit.

SNAP (GREEN) BEANS: Pack in 1/2 bu. and 1-1/9 bu. boxes. Pick at early maturity. Straight, slim varieties preferred.

SUGAR PEAS: Pack 10 lbs. in 1/2 bu. box. Pick at early maturity.

SWEET CORN: Pick at early maturity. Sell in bulk or in bags of 5 dozen per bag.

SWEET POTATOES: Pack in 1-1/9 bu. box. Grade for size.

TOMATOES: Pack in 10 or 20 lb. tomato boxes. Grade small, medium, and large: and #1 or #2

CHERRY & GRAPE TOMATOES: Pack in 12 pt. flats. Fill to level full. Pick at pink or solid red.

TURNIPS: Pack in 10 lb. white mesh bags or 1/2 bu. boxes. Harvest at 2-3” size. Leave a small amount of tops.

WATERMELLON: Cut when flavor is prime and grade for size.

ZUCCHINI: Pack in 1/2 bu. box. Harvest at 5-7” length.