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a subgrade by placing the special factor “U” after the grademark. Tobacco damaged 20 percent or more shall be designated “No-G.”

§ 29.3623 Rule 22.

Sound tobacco that is wet or in doubtful-keeping order but which otherwise meets the specifications of a grade shall be treated as a subgrade by placing the special factor “W” after the grademark. This special factor does not apply to tobacco designated “No-G.”

§ 29.3624 Rule 23.

Special factors “BH” (big heads) and “BL” (broad leaf) shall be used as follows: “BH” in types 35 and 36 to designate tobacco tied in extremely big hands and “BL” in type 35 to designate broad leaf tobacco.

§ 29.3625 Rule 24.

Tobacco shall be designated as No Grade, using the grademark “No-G,” when it is dirty, nested, offtype, semicured, damaged 20 percent or more, extremely wet or watered, or when it needs to be reworked, contains foreign matter, or has an odor foreign to the type.

§ 29.3626 Rule 25.

Tobacco in strip form which otherwise meets the specifications of a grade shall be treated as a subgrade by placing the special factor “S” preceding the grademark.

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GRADES

§ 29.3646 Wrappers (A Group).

This group consists of leaves from the Heavy Leaf and the Thin Leaf groups. Cured leaves of the A group are very elastic, have small- to medium-sized and blending fibers, and show a low percentage of injury affecting wrapper yield.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
A1F	Choice Quality Medium-brown Wrappers.

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Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
A2F	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity elastic, spready, and 20 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2. Fine Quality Medium-brown Wrappers
A3F	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, spready and 30 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2. Good Quality Medium-brown Wrappers.
A1R	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, normal width, and 40 percent of leaves not lower than B3 or C3. Choice Quality Reddish-brown Wrappers.
A2R	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, spready, and 20 percent of leaves not lower than B2 or C2. Fine Quality Reddish-brown Wrappers.
A3R	Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, elastic, normal width, and 40 percent of leaves not lower than B3 or C3. Good Quality Reddish-brown Wrappers.

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§ 29.3647 Heavy Leaf (B Group).

This group consists of leaves which are medium to heavy in body and show little or no ground injury.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
B1F	Choice Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf. Ripe medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent injury tolerance.
B2F	Fine Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf. Ripe, medium body, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 85 percent uniform, and 15 percent injury tolerance.
B3F	Good Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf. Mature, medium body, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance.
B4F	Fair Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
B5F	Mature, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent injury tolerance. Low Quality Medium-brown Heavy Leaf.
B1R	Underripe, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance. Choice Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
B2R	Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent injury tolerance. Fine Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
B3R	Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, clear finish, deep color intensity, semi-elastic, spready, 85 percent uniform, and 15 percent injury tolerance. Good Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
B4R	Mature, heavy, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance. Fair Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
B5R	Mature, heavy, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent injury tolerance. Low Quality Reddish-brown Heavy Leaf.
B1D	Underripe, heavy, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance. Choice Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.
B2D	Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, normal finish, deep color intensity, semi-elastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent injury tolerance. Fine Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.
B3D	Ripe, heavy, open leaf structure, smooth, rich in oil, normal finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready 85 percent uniform, and 15 percent injury tolerance. Good Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.
B4D	Mature, heavy, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance. Fair Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.
B5D	Mature, heavy, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent injury tolerance. Low Quality Dark-brown Heavy Leaf.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
B3M	Underripe, heavy, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance. Good Quality Mixed Heavy Leaf.
B4M	Mature, medium body, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance. Fair Quality Mixed Heavy Leaf.
B5M	Mature, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent injury tolerance. Low Quality Mixed Heavy Leaf.
B3G	Underripe, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, pale color intensity, inelastic, narrow, 60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance. Good Quality Green Heavy Leaf.
B4G	Underripe, heavy, firm leaf structure crepy, oily, normal finish, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance. Fair Quality Green Heavy Leaf.
B5G	Immature, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, inelastic, narrow, 70 percent uniform, and 30 percent injury tolerance. Low Quality Green Heavy Leaf.
	Immature, medium body, close leaf structure, rough, lean in oil, dull finish, inelastic, narrow, 60 percent uniform, and 40 percent injury tolerance.

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§ 29.3648 Thin Leaf (C Group).

This group consists of leaves that are thin to medium in body and show little or no ground injury.

Grades	Grade names, minimum specifications, and tolerances
C1L	Choice Quality Light-brown Thin Leaf. Ripe, thin, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 90 percent uniform, and 10 percent injury tolerance.
C2L	Fine Quality Light-brown Thin Leaf. Ripe, thin, open leaf structure, smooth, oily, clear finish, deep color intensity, semielastic, spready, 85 percent uniform, and 15 percent injury tolerance.
C3L	Good Quality Light-brown Thin Leaf. Mature, thin, firm leaf structure, crepy, oily, normal finish, moderate color intensity, semielastic, normal width, 80 percent uniform, and 20 percent injury tolerance.
C4L	Fair Quality Light-brown Thin Leaf.