

(g) Russeting when affecting the appearance of the cherry to a greater extent than the amount of scarring permitted;

(h) Scars when excessively deep or rough or dark colored and the aggregate area exceeds the area of a circle three-sixteenths inch in diameter, or when smooth or fairly smooth, light colored and superficial and the aggregate area exceeds the area of a circle one-fourth inch in diameter;

(i) Skin breaks when not well healed or when the appearance of the cherry is materially affected; and,

(j) Sutures when excessively deep or when affecting the shape of the cherry to the extent that it is not well formed.

**§ 51.2656 Diameter.**

*Diameter* means the greatest dimension measured at right angles to a line from the stem to the blossom end of the cherry.

**§ 51.2657 Serious damage.**

*Serious damage* means any specific defect described in this section; or an equally objectionable variation of any one of these defects, any other defect, or any combination of defects which seriously detracts from the appearance or the edible or marketing quality of the fruit. The following specific defects shall be considered as serious damage:

- (a) Decay;
- (b) Insect larvae or holes caused by them;
- (c) Skin breaks which are not well healed;
- (d) Cracks which are not well healed; and,
- (e) Pulled stems with skin or flesh of cherry torn or which causes the cherry to leak.

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**§ 51.2658 Permanent defects.**

*Permanent defects* means defects which are not subject to change during shipping or storage; including, but not limited to factors of shape, scarring, skin breaks, injury caused by hail or insects, and mechanical injury which is so located as to indicate that it occurred prior to shipment.

**§ 51.2659 Condition defects.**

*Condition defects* means defects which may develop or change during shipment or storage; including, but not limited to decayed or soft cherries and such factors as pitting, shriveling, sunken areas, brown discoloration and bruising which is so located as to indicate that it occurred after packing.

METRIC CONVERSION TABLE

**§ 51.2660 Metric conversion table.**

Inches	Millimeters (mm)
3/64 equals .....	3.2
1/64 equals .....	6.4
2/64 equals .....	9.5
3/64 equals .....	12.7
4/64 equals .....	15.9
48/64 equals .....	19.1
51/64 equals .....	20.2
52/64 equals .....	20.6
54/64 equals .....	21.4
56/64 equals .....	22.2
1 equals .....	25.4
1 1/64 equals .....	28.6
1 1/64 equals .....	31.8
1 2/64 equals .....	34.9

**Subpart—United States Standards for Shelled Runner Type Peanuts**

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GRADES

**§ 51.2710 U.S. No. 1 Runner.**

“U.S. No. 1 Runner” consists of shelled Runner type peanut kernels of similar varietal characteristics which are whole and free from foreign material, damage and minor defects, and which will not pass through a screen having 19/64 × 3/4 inch openings.

(a) In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling, the following tolerances, by weight, shall be permitted:

- (1) 1 percent for other varieties of peanuts;
- (2) 3 percent for sound peanuts which are split or broken;
- (3) 1.5 percent for damaged or unshelled peanuts;
- (4) 0.5 percent for minor defects: *Provided*, That in addition, any unused part of the tolerance for damaged or

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unshelled peanuts shall be allowed for minor defects;

(5) 0.1 percent for foreign material; and,

(6) 3 percent for sound whole peanuts which will pass through the prescribed screen.

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**§51.2711 U.S. Runner Splits.**

“U.S. Runner Splits” consists of shelled Runner type peanut kernels of similar varietal characteristics which are split or broken, but which are free from foreign material, damage and minor defects, and which will not pass through a screen having 1/64 inch round openings.

(a) In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling, the following tolerances, by weight, shall be permitted:

(1) 2 percent for other varieties of peanuts;

(2) 2 percent for damaged or unshelled peanuts and minor defects;

(3) 0.2 percent for foreign material;

(4) 2 percent for sound portions of peanuts which will pass through the prescribed screen; and,

(5) 4 percent for sound whole peanuts.

**§51.2712 U.S. No. 2 Runner.**

“U.S. No. 2 Runner” consists of shelled Runner type peanut kernels of similar varietal characteristics which may be split or broken, but which are free from foreign material, damage and minor defects, and which will not pass through a screen having 1/64 inch round openings.

(a) In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling, the following tolerances, by weight, shall be permitted:

(1) 2 percent for other varieties of peanuts;

(2) 2.5 percent for damaged or unshelled peanuts and minor defects;

(3) 0.2 percent for foreign material; and,

(4) 6 percent for sound peanuts and portions of peanuts which will pass through the prescribed screen.

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APPLICATION OF TOLERANCES

**§ 51.2713 Application of tolerances.**

The tolerances provided in these standards are on a lot basis and shall be applied to a composite sample representative of the lot. However, any container or group of containers in which the peanuts are obviously of a quality materially different from that in the majority of containers shall be considered a separate lot, and shall be sampled separately.

DEFINITIONS

**§ 51.2714 Similar varietal characteristics.**

*Similar varietal characteristics* means that the peanut kernels in the lot are not of distinctly different varieties. For example, Spanish type shall not be mixed with Runners.

**§ 51.2715 Whole.**

*Whole* means that the peanut kernel is not split or broken.

**§ 51.2716 Split.**

*Split* means the separated half of a peanut kernel.

**§ 51.2717 Broken.**

*Broken* means that more than one-fourth of the peanut kernel is broken off.

**§ 51.2718 Foreign material.**

*Foreign material* means pieces or loose particles of any substance other than peanut kernels or skins.

**§ 51.2719 Unshelled.**

*Unshelled* means a peanut kernel with part or all of the hull (shell) attached.

**§ 51.2720 Minor defects.**

*Minor defects* means that the peanut kernel is not damaged but is affected by one or more of the following:

(a) Skin discoloration which is dark brown, dark gray, dark blue or black and covers more than one-fourth of the surface;

(b) Flesh discoloration which is darker than a light yellow color or consists of more than a slight yellow pitting of the flesh;