



Grade Chart

CASHEW KERNELS - WHITE WHOLES

		
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Specifications for Cashew Kernels

1. General Characteristics: Cashew Kernels shall have been obtained through roasting, shelling and peeling cashew nuts. (*Anacardium occidentale L.*)

2. Special Characteristics:

A. Cashew Kernels - White Wholes

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
W-180	White Wholes	White/pale ivory/light ash. Characteristic shape	170-180	5	5	5 (NLSG & SW together)
W-210	do	do	200-210	5	5	do
W-240	do	do	220-240	5	5	do
W-320	do	do	300-320	5	5	do
W-450	do	do	400-450	5	5	do
W-500	do	do	450-500	5	5	5(SW)

Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter. Scraped and partially shrivelled kernels also permitted provided such scraping/shrivelling does not affect the characteristic shape of the kernel.

B. Cashew Kernels - Scorched Wholes

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
SW	Scorched Wholes	Kernels may be scorched/slightly darkened due to over-heating while roasting or drying in drier/borma	N.A	5	5	7.5 (SSW)
SW-180	do	do	170-180	5	5	7.5 (NLSG & SSW together)
SW-210	do	do	200-210	5	5	do
SW-240	do	do	220-240	5	5	do
SW-320	do	do	300-320	5	5	do
SW-450	do	do	400-450	5	5	do
SW-500	do	do	450-500	5	5	7.5(SSW)

Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter. Scraped and partially shrivelled kernels also permitted provided such scraping/shrivelling does not affect the characteristic shape of the kernel.

C. Cashew Kernels - Desert Wholes

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
SSW	Scorched Wholes Seconds	Kernels may be over-scorched, immature, shriveled (Pirival), speckled (Karaniram) discoloured and light blue.	N.A	5	5	7.5 (DW)
DW	Desert Wholes	Kernels may be deep scorched, deep brown, Deep blue, speckled, discoloured and black spotted	N.A	5	5	-

Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter.

D. Cashew Kernels - White Pieces

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
B	Butts	White/pale ivory or light ash. Kernels broken cross-wise (evenly or unevenly) naturally attached	N.A	5	5	5 (SB)
S	Splits	White/pale ivory or light ash. Kernels Split naturally lengthwise	N.A	5	5	5 (SS)
LWP	Large White Pieces	White/pale ivory or light ash	Kernels broken into more than two pieces and not passing through 4 mesh 16 SWG sieve/4.75mm. I.S.Sieve	5	Nil	5 (SW & SP together)
SWP	Small White Pieces	White/pale ivory or light ash	Broken Kernels smaller than those described on LWP but not passing through 6 mesh 20 SWG Sieve/2.80 mm I.S. Sieve	5	Nil	5 (BB & SSP together)
BB	Baby Bits	do	Plemules and broken Kernels smaller than those described as SWP but not Passing through a 10 mesh 24 SWG Sieve/1.70mm I..S. Sieve	5	Nil	1% (cashew powder)

Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter. Scraped and partially shrivelled kernels also permitted provided such scraping/shrivelling does not affect the characteristic shape of

the kernel.

E. Cashew Kernels - Scorched Pieces

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
SB	Scorched Butts	Kernels broken crosswise (evenly or unevenly) and naturally attached. Kernels may be scorched/slightly darkened due to over heating while roasting or drying in the drier/borma	N.A	5	5	7.5 (DB)
SS	Scorched Splits	Kernels split naturally lengthwise. Kernels may be scorched/slightly darkened due to over-heating while Roasting or drying in drier/borma	N.A	5	5	7.5 (DS)
SP	Scorched Pieces	Kernels may be scorched/slightly darkened due to over-heating while roasting or drying in drier/borma	Pieces passing through a mesh 16 SWG sieve/4.75 mm I.S. Sieve	5	Nil	7.5 (SSP & SPS together)
SSP	Scorched Small Pieces	Kernels may be scorched/slightly darkened due to over-heating while roasting or drying in drier/borma	Pieces smaller than SP but not passing through a 6mesh 20 SWG Sieve/2.80 mm I.S. Sieve	5	Nil	5 (DSP)

Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter. Scraped and partially shrivelled kernels also permitted provided such scraping/shrivelling does not affect the characteristic shape of the kernel.

F. Cashew Kernels - Dessert Pieces

Grade Designation	Trade Name	Colour/Characteristics	Count/454 gms size description	Max. Moisture%	Broken Max%	NLSG NLG max%
SPS	Scorched Pieces Seconds	Kernels may be over-scorched immature, shrivelled (Pirival) speckled(Karaniram) discoloured and light blue	Kernels broken into pieces but not passing through a 4 mesh 16 SWG sieve/4.75 mm I.S. Sieve	5	Nil	7.5 (DP & DSP together)
DP	Dessert Pieces	Kernels may be deep scorched, deep Brown, blue, speckled, discoloured and black spotted	Kernels broken into pieces but not passing through a 4 mesh 16 SWG sieve/4.75 mm and I.S.Sieve	5	Nil	7.5 (DSP)
Remarks: Kernels shall be completely free from infestation, insect damage, mould rancidity, adhering testa and objectionable extraneous matter.						
NLSG denotes: Next Lower Size Grade. NLG denotes: Next Lower Grade.						

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