

Packaging and delivery conditions:

Fish must be packed in bundles, casks, crates or other form of packaging which ensures that product is well-preserved and safe for consumption. Both wet and dry salted cod may be delivered in bulk, in which case shipping facilities used must be adequate to ensure that product meets minimum quality standards.

Tolerances:

The following tolerances are permitted for the above commercial categories provided the proportion of defects is due to errors and is therefore not present throughout all units of the shipment.

For Category A:

Quality: up to 20% of each lot may consist of pieces judged to fall under Category C above.

Size: up to 10% of each container or lot may consist of pieces weighing under 700g (dry salted) or under 1000g (wet salted) - i.e. pieces corresponding to Category B.

Species: up to 5% of the pieces in each container or lot may be of a different species.

For Category B:

Up to 20% of the products classified as Category B may consist of pieces whose quality, size or species require that they be placed in Category C.

Markings:

The following specifications must be printed with indelible ink and in a visible location on the outside of each shipment or container:

Country of origin; name or trademark of processing company; common name of product (including the word bacalao or other species name in Spanish; indication of commercial Category A, B, C or T (pieces); weight per container; number of pieces or weight per piece (or maximum/minimum dimensions).

For bulk shipments, all of the above information shall be set forth clearly in the shipping documents accompanying the product.

Bulk shipments must be sampled (for purposes of inspections by the SOIVRE) on the basis of 100kg lots (minimum).