

- c) salted, split and finished properly.
- d) virtually free of visceral material.
- e) free of cysts, paralysis, microorganisms or foreign matter affecting the normal properties of the product.

Additives authorized under Spanish law, or the legislation of the country to which product is to be shipped, may be used.

Classification:

Products must be classified according to weight or size (length is measured along a straight line from base of caudal appendage to sides of cervical border).

In commercial shipments the following must be indicated for each container:

- minimum and maximum size of pieces
- minimum and maximum number of pieces per container
- minimum and maximum weight per piece

Commercial classes:

Category A: Pieces weighing over 700g (dry salted) or over 1000g (wet salted). The following are considered defects for this category:

- a) Incomplete Splitting (1/3 or more of product) which detracts from appearance of same.
- b) Presence of blood clots, visceral remains or other imperfections covering an area greater than 10cm<sup>2</sup>.

Category B: Pieces weighing less than 700g (dry salted) or less than 1000g (wet salted) whose reduced size and small back do not permit suitable preparation at point of origin. The following are considered defects for this category:

- a) Incomplete splitting (1/ or more of product) which detracts from appearance of same.
- b) Presence of blood clots, visceral remains or other imperfections covering an area comprising 10% of the total surface of the piece.

Category C: Includes pieces that cannot be classified under the above categories owing to defects such as:

- Deep cuts (due to improper splitting) greater than 6cm in length.
- Blemishes resulting from inadequate gutting or cleaning.
- Broken or split pieces.
- Segments consisting of irregular portions comprising no more than one-third of the total piece from which they are taken.