

PERSIMMONS

Product Requirements			
Cleanliness	Free from dirt, dust or other foreign substances.		
Shape	Typical of variety. Slight variation permitted.		
Sizing	<15% variation by weight in any one container.		
Varieties	Those free from astringency when mature (firm).		
Brix	Astringent > 13.5% soluble sugars. Non Astringent > 12.0% soluble sugars.		
Grade Allowances	Tag 1	Tag 2	Tag 3
Colour	Even and full colour	Relatively even and near full colour	Near full colour
Firmness	Firm and even	Firm with <5% soft	Firm with <10% soft
Defect Allowances	Tag 1	Tag 2	Tag 3
Blemish	<1.0sq cm on <25% of fruit in package	<1.5sq cm on <50% of fruit in a package	<3.0sq cm on any fruit in package
Humidity mark			
Hiratane Nashi	Nil	<10% of surface area of each fruit	<20% of surface area of each fruit
Other varieties	Nil	<2.0sq cm covered by extremities of any groupings (aggregated)	<4.0sq cm covered by extremities of any groupings (aggregated)
Calyx separation	<2.0mm wide, no blackening	<3.0mm wide, slight blackening allowed	Allowed
Mealy bug	Nil	Mealy bug presence allowed, no dark staining	Mealy bug presence allowed, <0.5sq cm dark staining