

Current standard	Proposed	Discussion
<p>(e) "Internal (kernel) defects" means any blemish affecting the kernel. Such defects include, but are not limited to evidence of insects, immature kernels, rancid kernels, mold, or decay.</p> <p>(1) "Damage" by internal (kernel) defects means any specific defect described in paragraphs (e)(1)(i) through (iii) of this section; or an equally objectionable variation of any one of these defects, any other defect, or any combination of defects, which materially detracts from the appearance or the edible or marketing quality of the individual kernel or of the lot. (For tolerances see § 51.2542, Table II.)</p>	<p>(e) "Internal (kernel) defects" means any blemish affecting the kernel. Such defects include, but are not limited to evidence of insects, immature kernels, rancid kernels, mold, or decay.</p> <p>(1) "Damage" by internal (kernel) defects means any specific defect described in paragraphs (e)(1)(i) through (ii) of this section; or an equally objectionable variation of any one of these defects, any other defect, or any combination of defects, which materially detracts from the appearance or the edible or marketing quality of the individual kernel or of the lot. (For tolerances see § 51.2544, Table II.)</p>	<p>There is no change in this text, except for section number references in subparagraph (e)(1) and the redesignation of paragraphs (i through iii) as (i through ii) as a result of the removal of paragraph (i), as discussed below.</p>
<p>(i) "Minor white or gray mold" when not readily noticeable on the kernel and which can be easily rubbed off with the fingers.</p>		<p>It is proposed to delete the term "minor mold" as the term is no longer used by the industry. All visible mold is considered under the same grading category. This would result in a rearrangement of the current outline designations for other factors in the standards.</p>
<p>(ii) "Immature kernels" when they are excessively thin or when a kernel fills less than three-fourths, but not less than one-half the shell cavity.</p> <p>(iii) "Kernel spots" when dark brown or dark gray and aggregating more than one-eighth of the surface of the kernel.</p>	<p>(i) "Immature kernels" are excessively thin or when a kernel fills less than three-fourths, but not less than one-half the shell cavity.</p> <p>(ii) "Kernel Spotting" refers to dark brown or dark gray spots aggregating more than one-eighth of the surface of the kernel.</p>	<p>All proposed changes of text in this section are for clarification of the definition. There is no change in the application of the term to the product. The paragraph designations are changed to correspond with the deletion of paragraph (i).</p>
<p>(2) "Serious damage" by internal (kernel) defects means any specific defect described in paragraphs (e)(2)(i) through (v) of 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 the marketing quality of the individual kernel or of the lot. (For tolerances see § 51.2542, Table II.)</p>	<p>(2) "Serious damage" by internal (kernel) defects means any specific defect described in paragraphs (e)(2)(i) through (v) of 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 the marketing quality of the individual kernel or of the lot. (For tolerances see § 51.2544, Table II.)</p>	<p>There is no change in this text, except for the re-designation of the parenthetical reference to § 51.2544, required because of the rearrangement of the section numbers.</p>
<p>(i) "Minor insect or vertebrate injury" when the kernel shows conspicuous evidence of feeding.</p> <p>(ii) "Insect damage" when an insect, insect fragment, web or frass is attached to the kernel. No live insects shall be permitted.</p> <p>(iii) "Mold" when any type is readily visible on the shell or kernel.</p>	<p>(i) "Minor insect or vertebrate injury" means the kernel shows conspicuous evidence of feeding.</p> <p>(ii) "Insect damage" is an insect, insect fragment, web or frass attached to the kernel. No live insects shall be permitted.</p> <p>(iii) "Mold" which is readily visible on the shell or kernel.</p>	<p>All proposed changes in this text are for clarification of the definition. There is no change in the application of the term to the product.</p>
<p>(iv) "Rancidity" means the kernel is distinctly rancid to taste. Staleness of flavor shall not be classed as rancidity.</p>	<p>(iv) "Rancidity" means the kernel is distinctly rancid to taste. Staleness of flavor shall not be classed as rancidity.</p>	<p>There is no change in this text.</p>
<p>(v) "Decay" when any portion of the kernel is decomposed.</p>	<p>(v) "Decay" means one-sixteenth or more of the kernel surface is decomposed.</p>	<p>It is proposed that the scoring of decay on individual kernels be amended to recognize it on the basis of surface area. Areas of decay smaller than the one-sixteenth surface area are difficult to see and verify as decay. Smaller areas are routinely dry and do not affect the taste or marketing of nuts.</p>
<p>(f) "Other defects" means defects which cannot be considered internal defects or external defects. Such defects include, but are not limited to shell pieces, blanks, foreign material or particles and dust. The following shall be considered other defects. (For tolerances see § 51.2542, Table III.)</p>	<p>(f) "Other defects" means defects which cannot be considered internal defects or external defects. Such defects include, but are not limited to shell pieces, blanks, foreign material or particles and dust. The following shall be considered other defects. (For tolerances see § 51.2544, Table III.)</p>	<p>There is no change in this text, except for the re-designation of the parenthetical reference to § 51.2544, required because of the rearrangement of the section numbers.</p>