



Quality specification

Bananas Cobana

Origin: South and Central America

Variety: Cavendish

General quality characteristics

| | A mayor B minor | Tolerance ¹⁾ |
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| ✓ free from chilling injuries | A | 0% |
| ✓ free from strange smell and/or taste | A | 0% |
| ✓ free from deformations of the fruit or twin fingers | A | 0% |
| ✓ free from fungus (brown spot, crown mould, neck rot, finger rot, etc.) | A | 0% |
| ✓ free from physiological damages and/or diseases (green soft, ripe and turning) | A | 0% |
| ✓ free from bruises that affects the pulp | A | 0% |
| ✓ typical physical characteristics of the variety (see below "regularity") | A | 1% |
| ✓ free from pests and / or damages caused by them | A | 1% |
| ✓ clean, free from visible impurities (latex or wash water residues) | A | 3% |
| ✓ free from cosmetic impairments (insect dirt, speckle, sooty mould) | B | 3% |
| ✓ free from superficial bruises (mechanical peel injuries like beetle marks, crown scars, point bruise, scratches, leaf scars, etc.) | B | 5% |
| ✓ typical crown trim (3 cut) | B | 5% |
| ✓ without any cut finger stump ("Saneo") | B | 3% |



¹⁾The percentage refers to the amount of the examined fruit out of a representative quantity taken on a random basis out of the entire delivery

- All quality defects (marked A) as a whole may not exceed 5% provided that the individual deviations are within their stipulated limits (as stated above)
- All cosmetic defects (marked B) including unspecified defects as a whole may not exceed 10% provided that the individual deviations are within their stipulated limits (as stated above).

Maturity specifications

- colour 1 (full green)
- calibre min. 39 [1/32"] and max. 46 [1/32"]

Size sorting and regularity

- ✓ same quality
- ✓ uniform green colour
- ✓ even content in each box in terms of calibre and length (see table below)

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|-----------------------|---|
| Fruit length | 20 to 26 cm |
| Diameters (calibre) | 39 to 48 |
| Clusters per box | 15 to 23 |
| Fingers per box | 90 to 110 |
| Fingers per cluster | 5 to 7 maximum: 4 cluster with 4 fingers maximum: 2 clusters with 7 fingers |
| Net weight per carton | 18,50 kg |



Delivery requirements

- ✓ Delivery temperature 13,5 – 14°C

Labelling and packaging

- ✓ Appropriate packing in order to protect the fruit.
- ✓ Packing material has to be new, clean and may not cause any inner and outer damage to the fruit.
- ✓ All packing material contacting the fruit has to be food safe.
- ✓ The plastic bag used must conserve the freshness of the fruit by avoiding excessive loss of humidity
- ✓ The pallets have to be made out of new material and shall be stable enough for the usual handling. They may not be made out of tropical wood by any means.
- ✓ Each pallet must have an individual pallet-bar-code-number (preferential a SSCC# from the system GS1 Global).
- ✓ Labelling must be contiguous and well legible, not to be wiped off and well visible from the outside
- ✓ Absolutely necessary information on the box are: Indication of the importer/seller in the European Union including name and address and/or indication of the exporter including name and address, name of variety, origin, class, sorting, net weight in kg, lot number, GGN (GlobalGAP Number of the farm producing the fruit). All items must be visible from the outside.
- ✓ Each box (if applicable, every consumer package) has to show the individual GGN (GlobalGap Number) of the producer



Other demands

- ✓ All growers must be certified as per GlobalGap and Rainforest Alliance
- ✓ Compliance with the CODEX ALIMENTARIUS www.codexalimentarius.net
- ✓ Compliance with the current market standards regarding use of pesticides <https://extranet.cobana.com/>
- ✓ Compliance with all standards stipulated in the Cobana Quality Agreement
- ✓ Compliance with EC regulation No.: 1333/2011

- ✓ Compliance with Rainforest Alliance Standard

This specification applies in conjunction with the quality agreement of Cobana and if applicable with the contract between Cobana and another party (Producer, Exporter).