Produce Specification: Cucumber

General Information:

This specification is for supply of Cucumber into FSSI Produce DC, any variation to this must be approved by the FSSI Merchandise Manager for Produce

All suppliers/growers must be certified in one of the below.

NZGAP with Social Practice Add On GlobalGAP GRASP Sedex Smeta

Shape:		
Lebanese	Uniformly straight & cylindrical with rounded ends.	
Cucumber:		
Snack pack		
Cucumber:		
Short Cucumber:		
Telegraph		
Cucumber:		
Overall Visual Appearance:		
Lebanese	Fresh in appearance. Fully developed (mature), clean, dry	
Cucumber:	and sound. Shape must be true to variety. Size to be	
Snack pack	consistent within pack. Practically straight.	
Cucumber:		
Short Cucumber:		
Telegraph		
Cucumber:		
<u>Temperature:</u>		
Lebanese	Optimum storage temperature is 10°c - 12°c	
Cucumber:		
Snack pack		
Cucumber:		
Short Cucumber:		
Telegraph		
Cucumber:		
Labelling		

Labelling

All crates / cartons must be labelled with:

- Suppliers trading name.
- Suppliers trading address.
- Pack date
- Product name and/or Article Description
- Variety
- Count
- Grade
- Shipper Barcode

Crates and Bins:

If product is supplied in a Bin or Crate, bin and crate must be collapsible (unless otherwise stated) and be from an approved supplier.

Defect List:	
Lebanese	<u>Unacceptable</u>
Cucumber:	(0% tolerance)
	Soiling. Discoloration / yellowing. Visible residues. Foreign
	smells / tastes. Pests. Pest / disease damage.
	Rubbery/dehydration
Snack pack	<u>Unacceptable</u>
Cucumber:	(0% tolerance)
	Soiling. Discoloration / yellowing. Visible residues. Foreign
	smells / tastes. Pests. Pest / disease damage.
	Rubbery/dehydration
Short Cucumber:	<u>Unacceptable</u>
	(0% tolerance)
	Soiling. Discoloration / yellowing. Visible residues. Foreign
	smells / tastes. Pests. Pest / disease damage.
	Rubbery/dehydration
Telegraph	<u>Unacceptable</u>
Cucumber:	(0% tolerance)
	Chill damage, physical damage, rough scarring. Rot / waste.
	Soiling. Discoloration / yellowing. Visible residues. Foreign
	smells or tastes. Soft spots. Pests. Pest / disease damage.
	Rubbery.
	Minor
	(5% tolerance)
	Slight bend

