Produce Specification: Celery

General Information:

This specification is for supply of Celery 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

General Attributes:

Fresh in appearance. Fully developed (mature), clean, and sound stalks. Shape must be true to variety. Size to be consistent within pack. Cut should be clean. Stalks must snap when bent. Leaves to cover no more than 50% of the length of the stem.

Temperature:

Optimum storage temperature is 4°C.

<u>Labelling:</u>

All crates / cartons must be labelled with: OBE

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

Prepacks are to have product visible, and be labelled with, at minimum, retail barcode, weight, and pack date.

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:

Unacceptable (0% tolerance)

• Chill damage, physical damage, rough scarring. Rot / waste. Discolouration / yellowing. Visible residues. Foreign smells. Soiling. Softness. Pests. Pest / disease damage. Seed leaves. Stringiness / internal woodiness. Hollowness.

Minor (5% tolerance)

Broken, crushed or split stalks.

