Produce Specification: Rhubarb

General Information:

This specification is for supply of Rhubarb 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, clean crisp sound stalks. Firm red glossy stalk must snap when bent, no signs of wilting. Size to be consistent within crate. Healthy Foliage

Temperature:

Optimum storage temperature is 0°C.

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
- 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. Rot / waste. Visible residues, foreign smells, Soiling, Softness. Pest / disease damage, Broken, crushed or split stalks. Stringiness. hollowness.

