NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 29 April 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Canada.

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**Title:** Amendment to the [transition period](https://inspection.canada.ca/food-labels/labelling/changes-to-canadian-grade-compendium/eng/1688567729566/1688567730160#a3) for changes to the [Canadian Grade Compendium: Volume 2 – Fresh Fruit or Vegetables](https://inspection.canada.ca/about-cfia/acts-and-regulations/list-of-acts-and-regulations/documents-incorporated-by-reference/canadian-grade-compendium-volume-2/eng/1519996239002/1519996303947) published on July 7, 2023.

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| **Reason for Addendum:** | |
| [ ] | Comment period changed - date: |
| [X] | Notified measure adopted - date: 29 December 2023 |
| [X] | Notified measure published - date: 29 December 2023 |
| [X] | Notified measure enters into force - date: 29 December 2023; The transition period end date has been extended from January 6, 2024 to December 31, 2025. |
| [ ] | Text of final measure available from[[1]](#footnote-1): |
| [ ] | Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:  Relevant symbol if measure re-notified: |
| [X] | Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from1:  Notice to industry – Update on compliance timelines for greenhouse cucumber standards  <https://inspection.canada.ca/food-labels/labelling/update-on-compliance-timelines-for-greenhouse-cucu/eng/1703784733781/1703784734437> (English)  Avis à l'industrie – Mise à jour des délais pour la conformité des normes relatives aux concombres cultivés en serre  <https://inspection.canada.ca/etiquetage-des-aliments/etiquetage/fra/1703784733781/1703784734437> (French)  New deadline for comments (if applicable): |
| [ ] | Interpretive guidance issued and text available from1: |
| [ ] | Other: |

**Description:** Certain fresh fruit or vegetables (FFV) must be graded in order to be marketed in import or interprovincial trade in Canada.FFV grades and requirements are maintained and enforced by the CanadianFood Inspection Agency(CFIA) in an incorporated by reference (IbR) document titled "[Canadian Grade Compendium: Volume2 – Fresh Fruit or Vegetables](https://inspection.canada.ca/about-cfia/acts-and-regulations/list-of-acts-and-regulations/documents-incorporated-by-reference/canadian-grade-compendium-volume-2/eng/1519996239002/1519996303947)", incorporated into the [*Safe Food for Canadians Regulations*](https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2018-108/index.html)(SFCR).

On July 7, 2023 [changes to the Canadian Grade Compendium: Volume 2 – Fresh Fruit or Vegetables](https://inspection.canada.ca/food-labels/labelling/changes-to-canadian-grade-compendium/eng/1688567729566/1688567730160#a3) were published. The transition period for compliance began on July 7, 2023 and was set to end on January 6, 2024. On December 29, 2023, the CFIA extended the transition period to end on December 31, 2025. During the transition period, regulated parties may comply with either the previous or new grade requirements. As of January 1, 2026, the previous grade requirements will cease to apply, and all regulated parties must comply with the new requirements.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)