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Report Name: Canada Consultation on Standards for Diced or Cubed White Potatoes

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Report Highlights:

On January 21, 2022, Canada announced a 30-day consultation on the maximum size for diced or cubed white potatoes packaged in hermetically sealed packages. Proposed changes are to increase the maximum dice size from 10 mm (3/8 in) to 20 mm (3/4 in) for all three grades of potatoes. There will be a 6-month transition period upon final publication of the standards.

Following a request from industry, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has proposed [changes](#) to the [Canadian Grade Compendium: Volume 3- Processed Fruit or Vegetable Products](#) pertaining to diced or cubed white potatoes packaged in hermetically sealed packages. These changes would see the maximum dice size increase from 10 mm (3/8 in) to 20 mm (3/4 in) for:

- Section 40. (2)(a) Canada Fancy
- Section 40. (3)(a) Canada Choice
- Section 40. (4)(a) Canada Standard

Source: CFIA

Once finalized, these changes will be [incorporated by reference](#) into the *Safe Food for Canadians Regulations*. CFIA states that there will be a 6-month transition period upon publication of the final standards during which both the previous and new grade standards will be accepted.

CFIA anticipates that this change will result in no impact or cost to producers of this particular product.

The consultation period runs from January 21, 2022 to February 21, 2022. Comments can be submitted to CFIA by email:

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Attachments:

No Attachments.