

ISUBGOL HUSK GRADING AND MARKING RULES

1. **Short title application an commencement:-** (1). These Rules may be called the Isubgol Husk Grading and Marking Rules, 1982.
(2) They shall apply to Isubgol Husk prepared from Psyllium seeds produced in India.
(3) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. **Definitions.-** In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires;
(a) "Agricultural Marketing Adviser" means the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India;
(b) "Authorised packer" means a person or body of persons, who has been granted a Certificate of Authorisation by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India, for getting the commodity graded and marked in accordance with the grade standards and procedures prescribed under the rules;
(c) "Certificate" means Certificate of Authorisation;
(d) "Schedule" means a Schedule appended to these rules.
3. **Grade designations:-** The grade designation to indicate the quality of Isubgol Husk shall be as set out in column (1) of Schedule I.
4. **Definition of quality.-** The quality of Isubgol Husk shall be as set out against each grade designation in columns (2) to (7) of II Schedule I.
5. **Grade designation Marks.---** The grade designation marks shall consists of either:-
(i) a design incorporating the number of the Certificate, the word "Agmark" and the grade approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, as set out in Schedule-II; or
(ii) a label specifying the grade designation and bearing a design consisting of an outline map of India with the word" Agmark" and the figure of the rising sun with the words" Produce of India" and "Hkkjrh; mRikn" resembling the one as set out in Schedule II,
6. **Method of marking. -** (1) the grade designation mark shall be securely affixed to or printed on each container in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.
(2) The following particulars shall also be clearly and indelibly marked on each container, namely:-
(a) date of packing;
(b) net weight;
(c) Place of packing, and
(d) name of the packer.
(3) An authorised packer may, after obtaining the prior approval of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, mark his private trade mark on a container in a manner approved by the said Adviser:
Provided that the private trade mark shall not represent a quality of grade different from that indicated by the grade designation mark affixed to the container in accordance with these rules.
7. **Method of packing .-** Isubol Husk shall be packed either in new single gunny bags with polythene lining, of in new double gunny bags with or without polythene lining; or in cloth bags with polythene lining, or in polythene bags, or in polythene laminated paper pouches, or in polythene cardboard cartons, or in glass bottles, or in such other manner as may be approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.
(2) The containers shall be securely closed and sealed in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.
(3) Each container shall contain Isubgol Husk of one grade only

SCHEDULE I

(See Rules 3 and 4)

Grade designations and definition of quality of Isubgol Husk

Definition of quality

Grade designation	Special Characteristics					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Colour	Moisture, Percent by weight Maximum	Organic impurities per cent by weight Maximum	Total Ash per cent by weight Maximum	Acid Insoluble ash per cent by weight Maximum	General Characteristics common to all Grades	
Special	White to Brown	11.5	2.5	2.5	0.2	1. The husk shall be obtained by milling clean psyllium seeds produced in India
Grade-I	White to	11.5	7.5	2.5	0.2	2. It shall be free from extraneous matter, added colouring matter and musty or other objectionable odour.
Grade-II	White to Brown	11.5	12.5	3.0	0.3	3. It shall be free from insect and fungus infestation
Non- specified	-	-	-	-	-	

- Note :**
- 1. Organic impurities :** Include gritty particles, broken or entire embryo, fragments of endow sperm and/or capsular wall of fruits belonging to isubgol crop.
 - 2. Extraneous matter :** Means impurities of extraneous origin like sand, dirt or others which do not belong to the Isubgol crop.
 - 3. Non-specified :-** This is not a grade in its strict sense, but has been provided for the produce not covered by other grades. Isubgol husk under this grade shall be exported only against a firm order from the foreign buyer indicating the quantity and quality of the produce desired.

SCHEDULE II
(See rule 5)
Grade designation mark
{See rule 5 (ii)}

{See rule 5 (i)}
Design of Agmark replica



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