





Quality Control System in Germany

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Quality control system in Germany

- legal basis
 - marketing standards
 - conformity checks
- mode of operation
 - inspection services
 - co-ordinating authority
 - > conformity checks





Legal basis







EU Specific Marketing Standards







EU General Marketing Standard



All fruit and vegetables все фрукты и овощи

minus минус

10 specific standards 10 специфических стандартов

> minus минус

exemptions исключения





UNECE standards legalised by EU

- Fruit and vegetables not covered by specific marketing standards shall conform to the general marketing standard.
- ➤ However, where the holder is able to show they are in conformity with a standard adopted by the UNECE, the product shall be considered as conforming to the GMS.











Mode of operation – conformity checks

Member States must

- > establish an inspection service & assign a co-ordinating authority
- > establish a database on traders
- > establish rules for risk analysis
- > carry out selective checks based on risk analysis





Inspection services

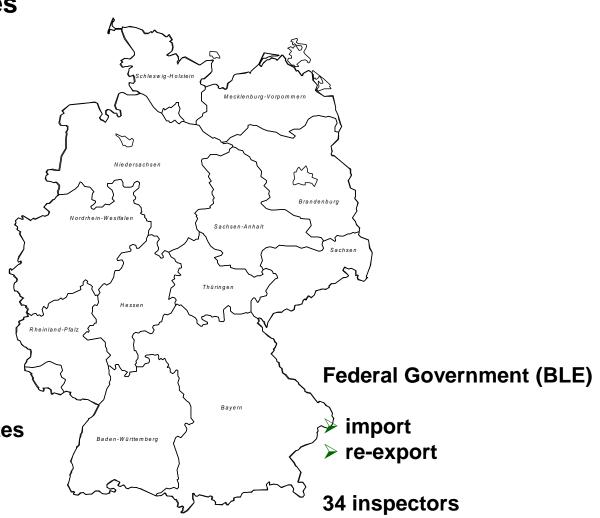
16 Federal States

- > production
- packaging
- > wholesale
- > retail
- > export

Total

32 services of the states

480 inspectors









Co-ordinating authority

- Federal Office for Agriculture and Food (BLE)
 - > German Institution under public law
 - subordinate body of the Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection
- BLE has no authority to issue directives!







Co-ordination

- Co-ordination in Germany is based on agreement between federal government and federal states
- Working Party on Quality Inspection for Fruit & Vegetables
 - association of the inspection services of the Federal government and the Federal states
 - BLE is editor in charge of a compilation of relevant regulations, standards, explanatory notes and ELSKA (electronic database on defects)







Co-ordination

- harmonized application of standards and method of inspection
- > co-ordination of inspection
- contacts & communication
 - of inspection results / non-conformities
 - > to EU-Commission
 - > to EU member countries
 - to non-EU countries



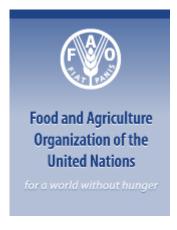




Co-ordination – harmonised application

- co-operation with inspection services of other member states and non-EU countries
- participation in international meetings on standard setting and explanatory work

















International Meeting

Quality Control

Fruit & Vegetables

March 2013 in Bonn, Germany

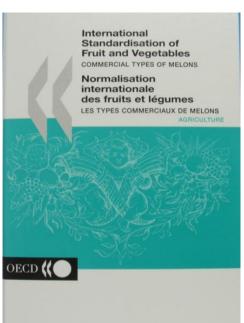




Co-ordination – harmonised application

- basic training and annual advanced training
 - based on nationally and internationally (OECD, UNECE) agreed material
 - > provided for inspectors of BLE, federal states and trade
- weekly newsletter for inspectors
- website











Co-ordination – inspection

- Database on traders structure agreed by federal government and federal states
 - name and address (place of business)
 - identification code
 - place in market chain (producer, packer/dispatcher, wholesale, distribution centre of supermarkets)
 - product range
 - turnover
 - inspection results







Co-ordination – inspection

- > risk analysis guideline agreed by federal government and federal states
- production, wholesale, distribution centres
 - traders are classified in 3 risk groups
- > import
 - products are classified in 3 risk groups based on average result of inspection of the last 3 years
- export
 - mixture of trader and produce based







Conformity checks – domestic market

- packers, wholesale, distribution centres
 - bottle neck inspection
 - focused on non-conformities
 - minimum inspections per year
 - risk groups A = 0.5 B = 1 C = 3
 - about 3,600 traders (≈ 900 A : 1,800 B : 900 C)





Conformity checks at import

- >competent authority (BLE)
- >central & branch offices
- inspection in airports, seaports, places of destination







Conformity checks at import

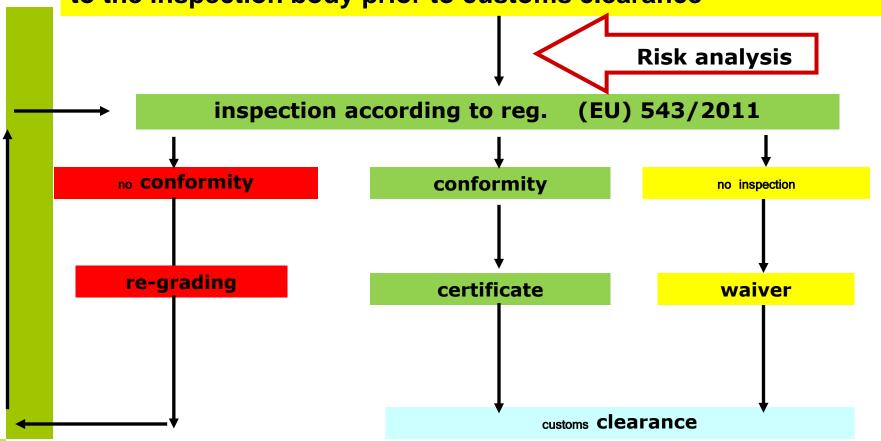
- > 35 inspectors
 - horticultural/agricultural background
 - > 3 months basic training
 - 3 months training on the job
 - annual advanced training
- inspection manual
- compendium of standards and explanatory notes
- database
- inspector's equipment







Importer must notify all lots with produce covered by the CMO to the inspection body prior to customs clearance







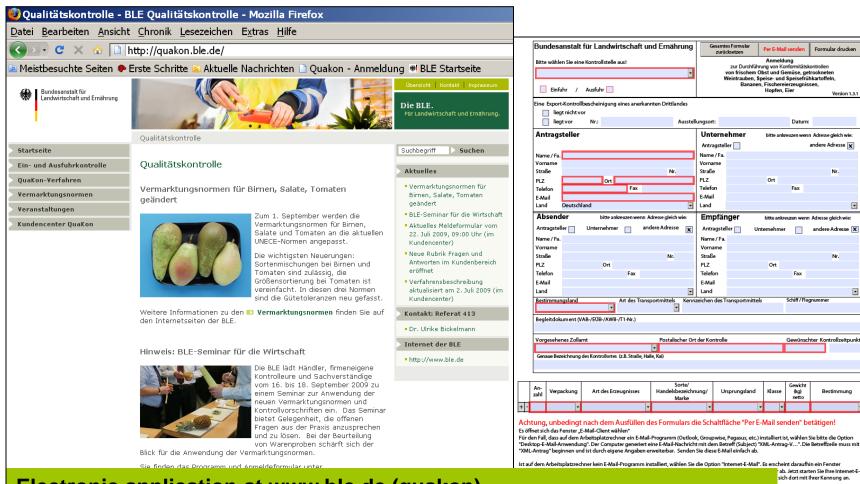
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Conformity checks at import









Eundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Emährung

Original / Zoll Zweitstück Außenstelle Zweitstück Kontrollstelle

| Verzichtserklärung | | |
|--|---|---|
| Absender IdentetRadon des Yranspoans | Bundesanstalt für Landv Deichmanns Aue 29, 53 Ast _Büro | , Fax: +49 — sockledikh fiv die Kontrobistie beskrivet. |
| Schiff-Ragrummer Einfulvort Verpedung (Anzell und Art) Art des Eizeugnboes | 12 | Gewicht (kg) 13 netzo |
| 5 boxes tomatoes | 1 | 50 kg |
| 5 boxes pears 5 boxes asparagus | industry | 50 kg 15 kg |
| Obst und Gemüse mit Hertunit aus Drittändern, das zum Verbrauch in frischem Zustand bezimmers und den EG-Vermanktungsnormen unterleigt bzw. Bananen, die den Qualifistnormen unterleigen, ist vor der zollrechtlichen Abferfügung zum feten Verfiehr einer Konformitätskonfrotie zu unterziehen, mit der festgesteit wird, ob die Ware den EG-Vermanktungsnormen bzw. Qualifitätnormen entspricht. Es liegt im Ermessen der zuständigen Konfrolisteile, in besimmten Fällen auf die Konformitätskonfrotie zu verzichten. Die Identitätskonfrotie hat ergeben, dass die mit z gekennzeichneten Waren weder den Vermanktungsnormen noch der Konformitätskonfrotie unterliegen. | | |
| Hiermit wird auf die Konformitätskontrolle bei der/den bezeichneten Partie(n) verzichtet. | | |
| Diese Verzichtserklärung ist nur güllig, wenn sie der Zolisteile im Original und mit Dienststempel versehen <u>oder</u> als Telefax mit der Absenderkennung der Konfrolisteile (Feld 5) vorgelegt wird. Gie berechtigt zur zolrechtlichen Abfertigung zum freien Verlicht. Die Verzichtserklärung ist zu den Abfertigungspapieren zu nehmen bzw. Im Falle eines Zoliguiversandes den Versandpapieren anzustempeln. | | |
| Vorgesehense Zolland: | | 17 |
| Gottig bie (Detum): | | |
| Ort und Datum der Ausstellung | 18 | 21 |
| Kontrolleur | 19 | |
| Unterschrift | 20 Dienstatempel | |
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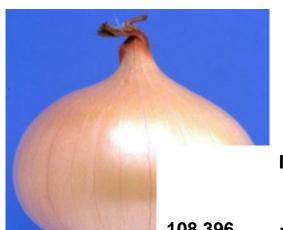
Conformity checks at import

Conformity certificate or waiver necessary for clearance through customs authority in

state

Germany or other EU member





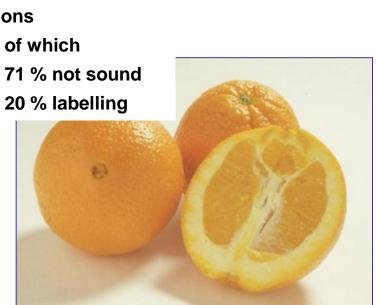
Import Inspection in 2010

108,396 = 255,596 tons notified 8,140 lots = 94,329 tons inspected

8 % 37 %

of which

5 % rejections









Co-ordination – communication

- inspection results / non-conformities
 - > to EU-Commission
 - > to EU member countries
 - > to non-EU countries
- annual report
 - > to EU-Commission









Thank you!

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