**TURKEY**

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| **COMPETENT AUTHORITY** | **EXPLANATIONS** | **PHOTO EXAMPLE (IF AVAILABLE)** |
| **Ministry of Economy**  **DG Product Safety and Inspections (for marketing/commercial quality controls)**  **Address:** Söğütözü Mah. 2176. Sk. No:63 06530  Çankaya/Ankara-TURKEY  **Web:** [www.ekonomi.gov.tr](http://www.ekonomi.gov.tr)  **Phone:** +90 312 204 75 00  **E-mail:** tarim-ugd@ekonomi.gov.tr | The Ministry of Economy (MoE) is the sole competent authority in Turkey with regards to marketing/commercial quality controls of fresh fruits and vegetables at import and export stages. The legal basis for these controls is Communique no. 2018/21 on Risk Based Inspections of Certain Agricultural Products at Export and Import.  The Communique also lays down the rules on affixing a “Consignment/Lot No.” label on export consignments. The Consignment/Lot no. serves as a code mark for traceability. It is used together with the official name/brand of the exporter, and takes the following structure:    The **province code** indicates the province where the application for quality controls was made.  The **facility code** is a code given to each facility registered in MoE’s electronic database.  The **inspectorate code** identifies which of the 36 MoE inspectorates carried out the controls.  The **Lot no.** starts with 1 for each facility at the beginning of the year. In this example, Lot no. 47 means that this is the 47th export quality control application made by facility no 0019983 within the current year. |  |

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