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FBA Amends The Common Footprint Standard

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The Fibre Box Association (FBA) has amended its Corrugated Common Footprint Standard for produce packaging to allow tolerances as stated below:

1. Plus/minus 1/8 inch on exterior dimensions
2. Plus/minus 1/16 inch on all other dimensions

The tolerances were added to the standard to allow for typical manufacturing variances.

The Corrugated Common Footprint Standard was developed by the FBA, with help from the AF&PA (American Forest & Paper Association), in close consultation with both grower/shippers and retailers. It is also compatible with the footprint standard recently adopted by the European Federation of Corrugated Board Manufacturers (FEFCO). As a result, produce shipping containers manufactured to either the U.S. or European standards are compatible with each other. This compatibility (footprint size and container interstacking features) facilitates effective stacking of mixed loads of FBA and FEFCO standard-based containers on industry-standard pallets.

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