

**TABLE 10: GRADES AND GRADE REQUIREMENTS FOR MAIZE  
ACCORDING TO RSA GRADING REGULATIONS**

Description of deviation		Maximum percentage of deviation allowed (m/m)					
		White maize			Yellow maize		
		GRADE					
		WM1	WM2	WM3	YM1	YM2	YM3
I	Defective maize kernels above 6,35 grading sieve	7	13	30	-	-	-
	below 6,35 mm grading sieve	-	-	-	9	20	30
II	Maize kernels of another colour	3	6	10	2	5	5
III	Foreign matter (excluding stone, pieces of coal or glass and dung)	0,3	0,5	0,75	0,3	0,5	0,75
IV	Total deviations in terms I, II and III collectively, provided such deviations are individually within the limits specified above	8	16	30	9	20	30
V	Pinked maize kernels	12	12	12	12	12	12

If the maize does not comply with the standards for Class White Maize or Class Yellow Maize  
It shall be classified as Class Other Maize.

**TABLE 11: GRADES AND GRADE REQUIREMENTS FOR MAIZE  
ACCORDING TO USA GRADING REGULATIONS**

Grades	Minimum test weight per bushel (pounds)		Maximum limits of -		
			Heat damaged kernels (percent)	Total (percent)	Broken corn and foreign material (percent)
U.S. No. 1	56.0	72.1 kg/hl	0.1	3.0	2.0
U.S. No. 2	54.0	69.5 kg/hl	0.2	5.0	3.0
U.S. No. 3	52.0	66.9 kg/hl	0.5	7.0	4.0
U.S. No. 4	49.0	63.1 kg/hl	1.0	10.0	5.0
U.S. No. 5	46.0	59.2 kg/hl	3.0	15.0	7.0

U.S. Sample grade

U.S. Sample grade is corn that:

- Does not meet the requirements for the grades U.S. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5; or
- Contains 8 or more stones which have an aggregate weight in excess of 0.20 percent of the sample weight, 2 or more pieces of glass, 3 or more crotalaria seeds (*Crotalaria* spp.), 2 or more castor beans (*Ricinus communis* L.), 4 or more particles of an unknown foreign substance(s) or a commonly recognized harmful or toxic substance(s), 8 or more cockleburrs (*Xanthium* spp.) or similar seeds singly or in combination, or animal filth in excess of 0.20 ssp.) or similar seeds singly or in combination, or animal filth in excess of 0.20 percent in 1000 grams; or
- Has a musty, sour, or commercially foreign odor; or
- Is heating or otherwise of distinctly low quality.

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Source: Official United States Standard of Grain (excluding metric conversions.)