**MANGO defect guide**

This guide is designed to help mango handlers identify the common defects that appear during handling in the supply chain. Correct identification and good feedback throughout the chain will identify where improvements can be made.

1. **Stem end rots**
   - Rot developing
   - Fast-growing, watery, soft rots that penetrate deep into the flesh.
   - Grey-brown or black with no obvious spores.

2. **Dendritic spot**
   - Small black spots with irregular edges.
   - The rot is slow growing and does not penetrate deep into the flesh.

3. **Anthracnose**
   - 3a. Body anthracnose
     - A black rot, usually rounded and slightly sunken. Appears on the body of the fruit or around the stem.
     - The rot does not penetrate deep into the flesh. Pink spores may be present when the rot is advanced.
   - 3b. Stem end anthracnose
     - A black rot that penetrates deep into the flesh.

4. **Sapburn**
   - Dark brown spots and blotches, often slightly sunken.
   - Can appear as runs or streaks down the cheek or scattered around the stem and shoulder.

5. **Skin browning**
   - 5a. Abrasion
     - Fine brown scratches or rub marks.
   - 5b. Sap
     - Light to dark brown flecking, spots, blotches, smears or rings.

6. **Lenticel spot**
   - Round or oval shaped brown spots scattered over the skin.

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