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REMARKS: The **En Route or At Destination Scoring Guide for Sprouts (External) (C)** on page 44 is revised to read as follows:

Scoring Guide

Damage:

When more than 5% of the potatoes in any lot have any sprout more than 1/2 inch in length, or

When <u>numerous</u> individual and /or clusters of sprouts <u>materially</u> detract from the appearance of the potato.

Serious damage (only score serious damage by sprouts for U.S. Commercial and U.S. No. 2 grades):

When more than 10% of the potatoes in any lot have any sprout more than 1 inch in length, or

When <u>numerous</u> individual and/or clusters of sprouts <u>seriously</u> detract from the appearance of the potato.

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