

**PEPPER, CLOVES, AND NUTMEG**  
**Act 418 of 1919**

AN ACT to provide for the manufacture and sale of black pepper, white pepper, red pepper, cloves and nutmegs, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**289.521 Black pepper; standards.**

Sec. 1. No person, firm or corporation shall manufacture for sale, or expose for sale, sell, exchange or deliver or have in his possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver, any ground or whole black pepper which contains not less than 6-75/100 per cent of non-volatile ether extract, not less than 30 per cent of starch, not more than 7 per cent of total ash, nor more than 1 and 5/10 per cent of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5487;—CL 1948, 289.521.

**Former law:** See Act 180 of 1901, being CL 1915, §§ 6519 and 6520, and Act 29 of 1869, being CL 1897, §§ 4911 to 4953.

**289.522 White pepper; standards.**

Sec. 2. No person, firm or corporation shall manufacture for sale, or expose for sale, sell, exchange or deliver or have in his possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver, any ground or whole white pepper which contains not less than 7 per cent of non-volatile ether extract, not less than 52 per cent of starch, not more than 5 per cent of crude fiber, not more than 3-5/10 per cent of total ash, nor more than 3/10 per cent of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5488;—CL 1948, 289.522.

**289.523 Red pepper; standards.**

Sec. 3. No person, firm or corporation shall manufacture for sale, or expose for sale, sell, exchange or deliver or have in his possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver, any ground or whole red pepper which contains not more than 8 per cent of total ash, nor more than 1 per cent of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5489;—CL 1948, 289.523.

**289.524 Cloves; standards.**

Sec. 4. No person, firm or corporation shall manufacture for sale, or expose for sale, sell, exchange or deliver or have in his possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver any ground or whole cloves which contain not more than 5 per cent of clove stems, not less than 15 per cent of volatile ether extract, not less than 12 per cent of quercitannic acid (calculated from the total oxygen absorbed by the aqueous extract), not more than 10 per cent of crude fiber, not more than 7 per cent of total ash, nor more than 5/10 per cent of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5490;—CL 1948, 289.524.

**289.525 Nutmegs; standards.**

Sec. 5. No person, firm or corporation shall manufacture for sale, or expose for sale, sell, exchange or deliver or have in his possession with intent to sell, exchange or deliver, any ground or whole nutmegs which contain not less than 25 per cent of non-volatile ether extract, not more than 10 per cent of crude fiber, not more than 5 per cent of total ash, nor more than 5/10 per cent of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5491;—CL 1948, 289.525.

**289.526 Violation of act; penalty.**

Sec. 6. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by fine of not more than 500 dollars and costs of prosecution or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than 100 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

**History:** 1919, Act 418, Eff. Aug. 14, 1919;—CL 1929, 5492;—CL 1948, 289.526.