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Introduction

Fresh pineapples produced in regions far from places of consumption should be stored in the cold.

The degree of maturity at harvest time, which determines the duration of storage, should be chosen according to the duration of transport and marketing operations. This duration varies considerably, hence the clause dealing with the ripeness of the pineapples cannot have a general application.

The external coloration of the pineapples is not a safe criterion for maturity and it is necessary to give a criterion for actual ripeness.

The condition of the pineapples on arrival at the warehouse (physiological condition, soundness, injuries) has a direct bearing upon the behaviour during storage, which justifies the detailed recommendations made on this subject.