

OLIVER KAY

Fresh Produce Update

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Fruit Of The Week



Raspberry: UK origin, variety majestic. Ideal for cakes, jams coulis and desserts.

Veg Of The Week



Savoy Cabbage: New UK crop. Try braised, roasted and steamed.

Quality Update

Key: ● = Alert ● = Warning ● = Resolved / For Info

CODE	PRODUCT	MARKET SITUATION	PHYSICAL CONDITION	COMMENTS/ ACTION
All codes	Iceberg Lettuce	UK Crop. Slow growth due to weather	Individual heads look small in size but weights are high due to tightly packed leaves	Odd pinking to outer leaves – please remove affected layer during preparation
All Codes	Skin on Potatoes	End of stored UK crop	slight loss of turgidity for some tubers and minor regrowth. Store cool with good ventilation	Use quickly and avoid holding excess stock
75059	White Cabbage	End of stored product. New UK crop also struggling to gain weight	Quality is good but head weights may be towards the lower end of specification	Inconsistent yield. Code 20016 catering cabbage Class2 x10kgs may be a better option
98513 75352	Hispi / Pointed Cabbage	UK crop	Quality is good but heads weights may be towards the lower end of specification	This will improve as the crop matures
03527 98804	Parsnip	Spanish origin now in stock	Quality is good	Issue resolved
75293 12433	Raspberries	UK supply now coming through	Quality good	Issue resolved
23272 83854 49567 14766	Ready to Eat Avocado	South African/ Peruvian origin	Cut testing for class 1 fruit is good. Odd bruising class 2	Pressures now more consistent

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Imports:

No issues with shipping anticipated this week.

Seasonal UK:

The hot and humid weather last week combined with some heavy rains this week are ideal conditions for an increase in the likelihood of mildew, weeds, soil and insects in the crop. Suppliers and our QA teams are increasing inspections but please also take extra care to ensure open produce like lettuces, cabbages and baby leaves are thoroughly washed before use. Its also important that vegetables are kept cool at this time so please advise customers avoid storing items like onions, root vegetables and potatoes in the kitchen were possible. Potatoes especially are prone to re-growth so please keep in a cool, dark , well ventilated place to avoid breakdown/ excessive sprouting.

Additional Information