### BASIC FEATURES OF STACKABLE/ COLLAPSIBLE CRATES



#### **MATERIAL**

Plastic crates are manufactured from high density polyethylene (HDPE) offering greater strength against impact

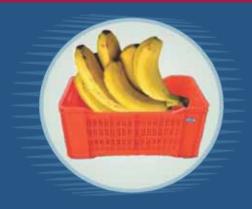
#### STRUCTURAL DESIGN

These plastic crates can be categorized as stacking, nesting, stacking and nesting, or collapsible containers.

#### PERFORATED/ VENTILATED

Plastic crates are equipped with perforations or ventilation holes. These crates are ideal for field handling, transport and storage of fresh produce. They allow for adequate air flow through produce.







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"Improving the Post Harvest Management of Non-Traditional Agricultural Commodities"



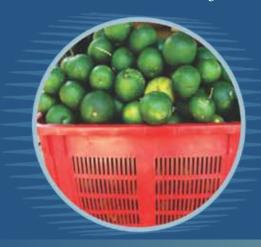
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The Ministry of Agriculture through the Guyana Marketing Corporation continues to support the nation's farmers and producers by linking them to urban markets and improving their standard of living. GMC now introduces the use of Stackable/ Collapsible plastic crates. Throughout the entire handling system, the use of Stackable/ Collapsible plastic crates for packaging can be a significant aid to obtaining maximum storage life and quality of produce.

## FEATURES OF STACKABLE / COLLAPSIBLE PLASTIC CRATES

- √ These containers take up 70% less space when *nested*.
- √ All containers are manufactured from food grade recyclable polypropylene.
- √ Ergonomic handles or handgrips for efficient handling.
- √ Stacks securely when in use and easy to clean after use.
- $\sqrt{\text{Resistant to moisture, insects, bugs and fungi.}}$



## WHY THE USE OF STACKABLE\ COLLAPSIBLE PLASTIC CRATES

- The use of plastic crates when transporting fresh produce significantly reduces quantitative and qualitative post-harvest losses.
- The rigidity of plastic crates and their smooth internal surfaces allow for the maximum protection of fresh produce.
- Plastic crates provided by GMC are identical to each other and their uniformity is cost effective in stacking on a valuable floor space in a factory, in storage space or a in transportation vehicle space; GMC;s reefer trucks.
- Plastic crates are strong enough to handle the heavy load of fruits and vegetables when compared to traditional means of packaging.



#### NOT RECOMMEND



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## RECOMMEND



**Produce** in crates



Tomatoes packed in bags



**Tomatoes in crate** 



Traditional Packagin During Transport



Use of crates during Transport