

**AMENDMENT NO. 01 TO SLS 469 : 1979
SPECIFICATION FOR DRIED SHARK FINS**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The following comments were received while reviewing the standard.

- (1) To state the “Lower lobe of caudal fin” rather than stating “caudal fin” in the standard because it is the lower lobe of caudal fin that is being cut, dried and exported and not the whole fin.
- (2) To delete “Clause **5.1.7** - The cut portions shall be dipped in wood ash (sand free) and may also be dusted with lime”. This application of wood ash (sand free) or lime to the cut portion of the fin is not a hygienic practice for a food item, though this has been the practice in the industry of the very early stage. But now the processors do not carry out this as its unhygienic. Also if the flesh attached to the cut end of the fin is removed and moisture is reduced to 10 per cent or less by drying, this application is not necessary.
- (3) To introduce other suitable fish species of the class Elasmobranchs.

This amendment is necessitated to upgrade the standard with respect to these three aspects.

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Clause 2.2

Substitute the existing clause with the following:

“2.2 set : A set shall include two pectoral fins, one dorsal fin and the lower lobe of the caudal (tail) fin.”

Clause 2.3

In line 4, delete “5” and substitute “4”.

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Fig. 1

Delete the existing Fig. 1 and substitute with the following figure.

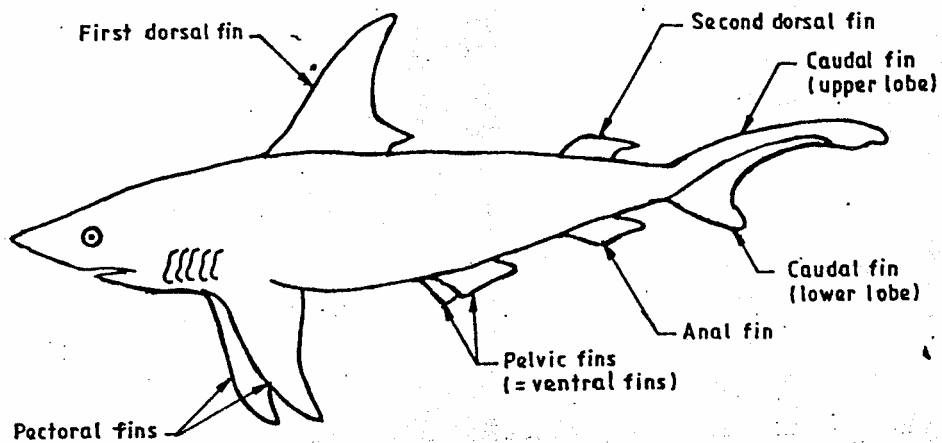


FIGURE 1 - Shark

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Fig. 4

Delete the existing Fig. 4.

Fig. 5

Renumber the Fig. 5 as Fig. 4 and substitute the existing figure capture with the following:

“Fig. 4 lower lobe of the white caudal (tail) fin or black caudal (tail) fin”.

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Clause 4

In line 2, delete “5” and substitute “4”.

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Table 1 - Grading according to length

Sl. No. 1, Column 2

Delete the item b) and substitute “b) lower lobe of the caudal (tail) fin”.

Sl No. 2, Column 2

Reword the existing text as follows “Dorsal, pectoral and lower lobe of the caudal (tail) fins”.

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Clause 5.1.2

Substitute the existing clause with the following :

“**5.1.2** The dorsal, pectoral or lower lobe of the caudal fins of edible sharks shall be used for the preparation of the product.”

Clause 5.1.7

Delete clause **5.1.7** and re-number clause **5.1.8** as clause **5.1.7**.

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Clause 5.2.2

Delete the words “or lime”.

Clause 5.2.3

Delete the words “other than traces derived from wood ash and lime”.

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Clause 6.2 item f)

Delete the word “product” and substitute “produce”.

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Clause E.1.1 White fins

In line 2, delete the word “*Rhinobatidae*” and substitute “*Rhynchobatidae*”.

Insert the following at the end of the text:

“White fins are also obtained from the shark ray genus *Rhina* which belongs to the family *Rhinidae* and the ray genus *Rhinobatos* which belongs to the family *Rhinobatidae*.”

Clause E.1.2 Black fins

In line 12, Delete the words “Udala mora” and substitute “Udalu mora”.

Insert the following at the end of the text:

“Pectoral and dorsal fins of the thresher shark (E) Kasa mora (S) which belongs to the family *Alopiidae* and Mako Shark (E), Mee Mora (S) species which belongs to the family *Lamnidae* are also used to obtain the fins.”