elements of quality to which they are applied.

§ 29.3021 Fiber.
The term applied to the veins in a tobacco leaf. The large central vein is called the midrib or stem. The smaller lateral and cross veins are considered from the standpoint of size and color and in some types are treated as elements of quality. In Burley, fiber size and color are not of great importance, except where a fine distinction must be made between several lots of high quality or between sides of the same lot.

§ 29.3022 Finish.
The reflectance factor in color perception. Finish indicates the sheen of shine of the surface of a tobacco leaf. Descriptive terms range from bright to dingy. (See Elements of quality.)

§ 29.3023 Foreign matter.
Any extraneous substance or material such as stalks, suckers, straw, strings, rubber bands, etc. Abnormal amounts of dirt or sand also are included. (See Rule 23.)

§ 29.3024 Form.
The stage of preparation of tobacco such as unstemmed or stemmed.

§ 29.3025 General color.
The color of tobacco considered in relation to the type as a whole. General color is distinguished from the restricted use of the term “color” within a group. It is basically related to body and other overall characteristics of the type.

§ 29.3026 General quality.
The quality of tobacco considered in relation to the type as a whole. General quality is distinguished from the restricted use of the term “quality” within a group.

§ 29.3027 Grade.
A subdivision of a type according to group, quality, and color.

§ 29.3028 Grademark.
A grademark normally consists of three symbols which indicate group, quality, and color. A letter is used to indicate group, a number to indicate quality, and a letter or letters to indicate color. For example, C2F means Lugs, second quality, and tan color.

§ 29.3029 Green (G).
A color term applied to immature or crude tobacco. Any leaf which has a green color affecting 20 percent or more of its leaf surface may be described as green. (See Rule 18.)

§ 29.3030 Greenish (V).
A color term applied to greenish-tinged tobacco. Any leaf which has a greenish tinge or a pale green color affecting 20 percent or more of its surface may be described as greenish. (See Rule 17.)

§ 29.3031 Group.
A division of a type covering closely related grades based on certain characteristics which are related to stalk position or the general quality of the tobacco. Groups in Burley, Types 31 and 93, are as follows: Flyings (X), Lugs or Cutters (C), Leaf (B), Tips (T), Mixed (M), Nondescript (N), and Scrap (S).