Short-Term Storage Guidelines For Garden Fresh Vegetables

The storage life of fresh vegetables varies depending upon the crop and the variety. Here are some general short-term storage guidelines.

Key	LESS THAN 2 WEEKS	2 TO 4 WEEKS	4 TO 8 WEEKS	8 TO 16 WEEKS
Store In	Asparagus	Artichokes	☐ Carrots	Beets
Refrigerator	■ Broccoli	Brussel Sprouts	☐ Green Tomatoes	Cabbage
(No lower than 32°F; humidity, 85 - 90%)	Cantaloupe	Celery	Leeks	Dry Onions
Store In Cold	Cauliflower	Eggplant	Radishes	☐ Garlic
	Corn	Endive	Rutabagas	■ Mature Potatoes
(No Lower than 45°F; humidity, 85 - 90%)	Cucumber	Green Beans	Turnips	Parsnips
marrialty, 30 3070)	☐ Green Onions	Head Lettuce		Pumpkins
Store In Cool	■ Kale	Honeydew Melon		Sweet Potatoes
Humid Location (No lower than 50°F; humidity, 85 - 90%)	Leaf Lettuce	Peppers		Winter Squash
	Lima Beans	Summer Squash		
Store In Cold	Okra			
Dry Location (No lower than 32°F; humidity, 65 - 80%)	Parsley			
	Peas			2
Store In Cool Dry Location (No lower than 50°F; humidity, 65 - 80%)	☐ Ripe Tomatoes			
	Spinach			
	■ Watermelon			

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