

USDA COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS DEHYDRATED POTATOES

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PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Dehydrated potatoes, delivered pursuant to this Announcement shall have originated from crops that have been grown and packed in the United States, including Puerto Rico) shall have been packed from the crop(s) and packing season(s) as specified in the applicable Invitation and in accordance with good commercial manufacturing practices, and shall meet Commercial Item Description (CID) A-A-20032C, as augmented, or such deviations as may be set forth below. **Contractor shall furnish USDA Grader a certificate of conformance stating that the product was grown and packed in the United States** (See Article XIV). The dehydrated potatoes shall meet the salient characteristics specified in CID A-A-20032C for Form B, Style 1 or Style 2 (Exhibit E) as follows:

Additives or optional ingredients:

- a. Sodium sulfite or sodium acid sulfite or other approved sulfiting agents: 350 parts per million (ppm) plus or minus 150 ppm (Calculated as sulphur dioxide).
- b. Any safe and suitable emulsifiers and/or antioxidants as permitted by provisions under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- c. Vitamin A - 1,000 International Units (IU) per ounce minimum.
- d. Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C) - 36 milligrams per ounce minimum.
- e.

Moisture:

Not more than 8.0 percent.

Reducing sugars:

Not more than 3.0 percent.

Test Procedures

Test procedures for moisture, shall be in accordance with the procedures outlined in CID A-A-20032C.

Lot Compliance

Compliance with product specifications shall be based on samples drawn and tested by USDA.

Net Weight Specifications

1. For product packed 12/1-pound packages or 12.0 pounds/case, the sample average net weight shall meet the net weight requirements. No individual container shall have unreasonable shortage. Unreasonable net weight shall be: Net Weight Requirement Unreasonable Net Weight 16 ounces (1 pound) 15.7 ounces or less 12.0 pounds/case 11 pounds, 12 ounces or less/case.
2. For product packed in cases of 6 No. 10 size cans, the containers shall be filled with dehydrated potatoes to an average net weight of 96.0 ounces per container, with no individual container weighing less than 94.5 ounces.
3. For product packed 6 bags per case, the bags shall be filled with dehydrated potatoes to an approximate weight of 80 ounces (5 pounds) per bag. The net weight of the 6 bags per case shall total 30 pounds with no individual case having a net weight less than 29 pounds, 11 ounces.

Containers

The product shall be packed in new commercially acceptable containers that afford adequate protection against damage and moisture. They may be any of the following types: paperboard cartons, opaque (white) polyethylene bags, polyethylene-kraft laminated pouches, foil-kraft laminated pouches, or for product in 6/5-pound cans, No. 10 size cans (603 x 700). Polyethylene containers shall be 3 mils thick and comply with Federal Food Additives Regulations.

Labels and Case Markings

Special labels and case markings.

Exhibit D

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