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Product Specification

1-3mm Dehydrated Granulated Red Pepper

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PACK SIZE 1 x 20kg

ORIGIN: China / Turkey

GENERAL The product shall be prepared from fresh sound raw material that is free from all toxic residues and taints. The final product shall comply with all current U.K. and E.C. Food Legislation.

INGREDIENTS Red Peppers 100% Declare as: Red Peppers
(*Capsicum annuum*)

PROCESSING The peppers are delivered and held in store until required for processing. During processing the peppers inspected, washed, cored, trimmed, diced, air dried and granulated inspected, and stored in bulk at ambient.

PACKING During packing the peppers are passed through magnets, air stream separators, metal detector and then pass to the granulation line. The pepper passes through a plate magnet, a Zyklon air separator through a granulation mill, sieved and weighed into 20kg cartons. The cartons are Best Before and Production date coded, check weighed, palletised and stretch-wrapped before being returned to store at ambient to await despatch to the customer.

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1-3mm Dehydrated Granulated Red Pepper**QUALITY CONTROL** Checks are carried out on the following: -

Processing: -	Raw material Final Product Temperature
Packing: -	Metal detection Check weighing Final product physical defect levels Organolepsis Case quantity Case sealing Case coding and print quality

DEFECT TOLERANCES Product shall be checked at least hourly against the following tolerances for defects: -

<u>Per 50g dry sample</u>	<u>Target</u>
Foreign Material	Nil
Major Defect	5
Minor Defect	25
Retained on a 3.35mm sieve	2% w/w
Pass through a 500µm sieve	2% w/w

DEFINITIONS OF DEFECTS**Foreign Material**

This includes any material not derived from the pepper plant or defined as EVM, such as insects, pieces of insects, wood, glass, stones, metal, sand, grit, plastic or any other material which will render the product unacceptable.

Major Blemish

This includes pepper dice that are blemished to the extent that the area affected is greater than 50% of the surface area of a die, either as a single blemish or an aggregate of blemishes on the same die.

Minor Blemish

This includes pepper dice that are blemished to the extent that the area affected is less than 50% of the surface area of a die, either as a single blemish or an aggregate of blemishes on the same die.

Oversize

These are dice that will be retained by a 3.35mm sieve.

Undersize

These are dice that will pass through a 500µm sieve.

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ORGANOLEPSIS**COLOUR** Fairly bright red but may be slightly non-uniform.**FLAVOUR** Characteristic pepper flavour, with only slight bitterness.**TEXTURE** Fairly uniform, flesh will be tender but not mushy.

Average Sample

MICROBIOLOGICAL

Organism	Target	Maximum
T V C @ 30°C	1×10^5	2.5×10^5
Total Coliforms	$<1 \times 10^2$	1×10^2
E. coli	Nil/g	1×10^1
Yeasts	$<1 \times 10^3$	1×10^3
Moulds	$<1 \times 10^3$	1×10^3
Staph aureus	Absent/g	5×10^1
Salmonella	Absent in 25g	Absent in 25g
Listeria sp.	Absent in 25g	1×10^2

ANALYTICAL

6% moisture maximum. 1kg of red pepper will yield approximately 5kg when reconstituted.

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The product shall be packed to minimum weight.

METAL DETECTION

All product shall be passed through a metal detector. The system shall be tested at least hourly using 0.7mm ferrous, 1.2mm non-ferrous & 1.6mm stainless steel test pieces.

CODING

Best Before End shall be fifteen months following the month of packing e.g. if packed 1st May 2010 then BEST BEFORE END AUG 2011 or BEST BEFORE 01/08/2011.

Production / Traceability Code Four figure International date code (Year number, Day number) plus factory identification code and shift code e.g. product packed 1 January 2010 = 0001 or 01/01/2010.

CARTON LINERS

Dark blue food grade polythene liner of a **minimum** thickness of 45µm.

CARTONS

Corrugated fibreboard of glued construction, no metal staples to be used. Shall be sealed using dark blue adhesive tape.

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This data conforms to the requirements of EC Council Directive 90/496/EEC

100g of uncooked red pepper typically contains: -

Parameter	Value / 100g	Methodology
Energy - kcal	282	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Energy - kJ	1180	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Moisture	6.0g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Carbohydrate	56.4g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as sugars	56.4g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as polyols	0.0g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as starch	0.0g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Fat	3.6g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as saturates	0.9g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as mono unsaturates	Trace	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
- as poly unsaturates	2.7g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Protein	8.8g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Fibre	22.1g	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Sodium	24.1mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Cholesterol	0.0mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin A	640µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin B ₆	0.36mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin B ₁₂	0.0mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin C	140mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin D	0.0µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Vitamin E	0.80mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Thiamin	0.01mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Riboflavin	0.03mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Niacin	1.3mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Folic Acid	21µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Biotin	0.0µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Pantothenic Acid	0.08mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Calcium	8mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Phosphorus	22mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Iron	0.3mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Magnesium	14mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Zinc	0.1mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Iodine	1.0µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition
Potassium	160mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 th Edition

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GMO DECLARATION

Does the product, or any of its ingredients contain any genetically modified material (whether viable or not)? YES / NO

Is the product or any of its ingredients not substantially equivalent as a consequence of the use of genetic modification? YES / NO

Is the product or any of its ingredients produced from, but not containing any genetically modified material? YES / NO

Have genetically modified organisms been used as processing aids or additives used in connection with the production of the food or any of its ingredients? YES / NO

Have genetically modified organisms been used to produce processing aids or additives but where such genetically modified organisms are not present in the processing aid as used in connection with the production of the food or any of its ingredients? YES / NO

Name: Alan Gosling Job Title: Technical Consultant

Signature:  Date: 2nd August 2010

IRRADIATION POLICY

I confirm that the product supplied by Foodnet Limited under this specification has not undergone any irradiation treatment or process. I further confirm that no ingredient or processing aid used in conjunction with this product has undergone irradiation treatment.

Name: Alan Gosling Job Title: Technical Consultant

Signature:  Date: 2nd August 2010

Where any answer is YES, see details below.

Product or Material	Details of Genetic Modification

I confirm I have made any necessary enquiries and obtained relevant written assurances from suppliers to verify the accuracy of the details provided above. I confirm the above data supplied is correct and can be used without reservation to advise customers.

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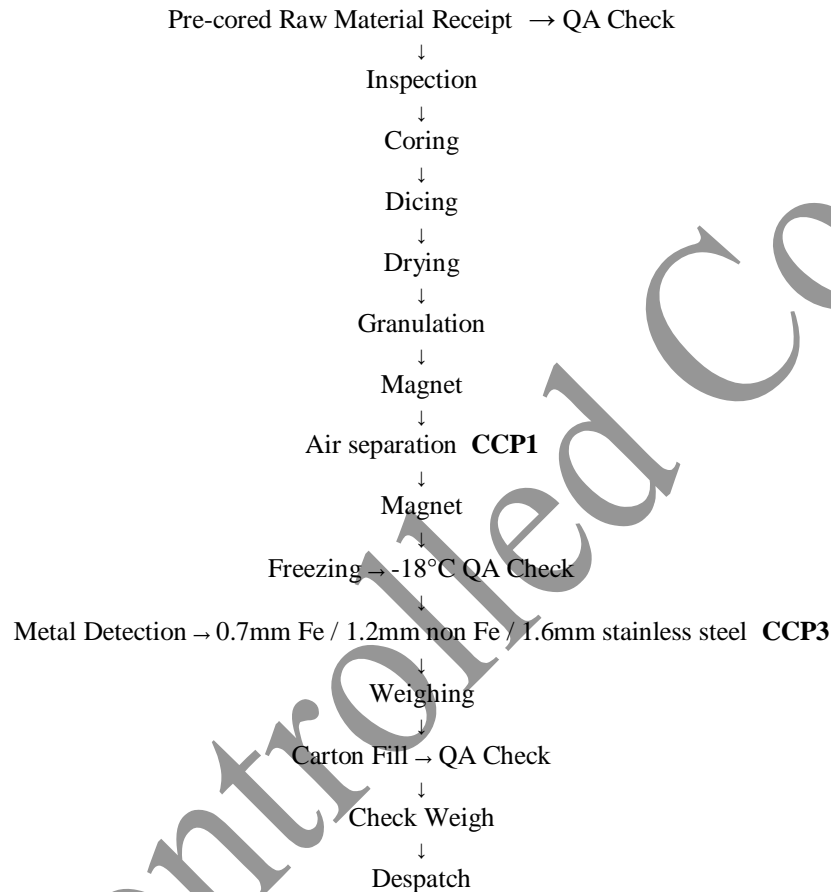
1-3mm Dehydrated Granulated Red Pepper**FOOD INTOLERANCE**

Food Intolerance Data		
Does the material supplied contain any of the following? (NO) Absent, (YES) Present		
Allergen	NO / YES	Reason for presence if YES
Milk & Milk Derivatives	NO	
Egg & Egg Derivatives	NO	
Animal Products (*)	NO	
Fish/Shellfish/Crustaceans/Molluscs	NO	
Cereals (**)	NO	
Gluten	NO	
Yeast/Yeast Extract	NO	
Soya/Soya Derivatives	NO	
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	NO	
Beef & Beef Products	NO	
Pork & Pork Products	NO	
Lamb & Lamb Products	NO	
Poultry & Poultry Products	NO	
Legumes	NO	
Peanuts	NO	
Sulphite >10ppm	NO	
MSG	NO	
BHA / BHT	NO	
Benzoates	NO	
Glutamates	NO	
Azo & Coal Tar Dyes	NO	
Added Colour	NO	
Added Flavour	NO	
Preservatives	NO	
Antioxidants	NO	
Added Salt	NO	
Nuts/Nut Oils	NO	
Caffeine	NO	
Sesame Products	NO	
Garlic	NO	
Poppy Seeds	NO	
Mustard	NO	
Celery/Celeryiac	NO	
Lupins	NO	
*Including any product derived from slaughtered animals, e.g. gelatine, rennet		
**Including wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, etc.		
Is the material suitable for:		
Vegetarians?	Y / N	
Vegans?	Y / N	
Kosher?	Y / N	
Halal?	Y / N	
Organic?	Y / N	

FOOD ADDITIVES

E. Number	Name	In Which Ingredient	Function in Ingredient	Function in Final Product	% In Final Product
None					

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PROCESS INFORMATION**PROCESS FLOW CHART****DICED PEPPERS****CRITICAL CONTROL POINTS:**

to include time / temperature / frequency / target and sensitivity of all process steps.

CCP Number	Process Step	Controls in place
CCP1	Air separation to remove light & heavy foreign material Hourly checks.	Visual monitoring for absence of foreign material..
CCP2	Metal detector efficiency. Hourly checks.	Testing of detector using certified test pieces of 0.7mm Ferrous, 1.2mm non-Ferrous, 1.6mm Stainless Steel.

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COSHH Data For Frozen Vegetables

Treat as you would any frozen material i.e. if engaged in prolonged handling of the vegetables wear gloves.

Care should be used when lifting full cases of frozen vegetables.

There are no other perceived COSHH implications regarding the use of frozen vegetables.

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Signed on behalf of Foodnet Ltd:-

Name: Alan Gosling Job Title: Technical Consultant

Signature:  Date: 2nd August 2010

Signed on behalf of the Customer:-

Name: Job Title:

Signature: Date:

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