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Technical Specification		
<b>Product:</b> Gherkin Diced 6mm in Brine	<b>Last Update:</b> 31/01/2023	<b>Product Code:</b> GHE003

## **GENERAL**

Sound and mature fermented gherkins, which have been debrined, cleaned, washed, selected, washed, cut and packed in a preserving acidified solution.

## **INGREDIENTS & ORIGIN**

Gherkins	75.0% India
Water	11.0% The Netherlands
Acetic acid	2.5% Serbia
Sodium Chloride (salt)	11.0% The Netherlands / Denmark
Calcium Chloride	0.50% Sweden / Finland

## **PHYSICAL STANDARD**

Dimensions 6x6x6 mm.

Foreign material [% count/kg] 0

## **MICROBIOLOGICAL**

Organism	Target	Maximum
<i>T V C @ 30°C</i>	$1 \times 10^3$	$5 \times 10^3$
<i>Total Coliforms</i>	10	$1 \times 10^2$
<i>E. coli</i>	10	$1 \times 10^2$
<i>Yeast</i>	500	$2 \times 10^3$
<i>Mould</i>	50	$2 \times 10^2$
<i>Listeria mono</i>	Absent in 25g	Absent in 25g

## **ANALYTICAL**

Acidity as acetic acid [% w/w]	2.0 – 3.0
Sodium chloride (salt) [% w/w]	10.0 – 12.0
Calcium Chloride [% w/w]	0.4 – 0.6
pH	< 3.5

**BEST BEFORE DATE** 6 months after packing date

**TRACEABILITY INFO** Production date or Lot number printed on the label as well as customer order number and/or delivery date.

**STORAGE CONDITIONS** Ambient. Protect from freezing and excessive heat.

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**PACKAGING** Diced gherkins packed in drums. Gross weight: Approx. 260 Kg. Nett fill weight (=drained weight) 220 Kg

**NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION**

Parameter	Value / 100g
Energy - kcal	11-13
Energy - kJ	55-60
Carbohydrate	1.8-2.0
- as sugars	0.0
Fat	0.1-0.3
- as saturates	0.0
Protein	0.8-1.0
Fibre	0.9-1.2
Salt	2.5-3.5

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### **GMO DECLARATION**

I confirm that this product is not genetically modified or produced from genetically modified organisms. No genetically modified organisms have been used as processing aids or additives. This product does not require specific GM labelling as per Regulation (EC) 1829/2003.

Name: Gianluca Oberto

Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: 


Date: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

### **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: Gianluca Oberto

Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: 

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

### **COSHH Data**

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

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

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

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## **FOOD INTOLERANCE**

<b>Food Intolerance Data</b>					
Does the material supplied contain any of the following? (NO) Absent, (YES) Present					
<b>Allergen</b>	<b>NO / YES</b>		<b>Reason for presence if YES</b>		
Milk & Milk Derivatives	NO				
Egg & Egg Derivatives	NO				
Animal Products (*)	NO				
Fish/Shellfish/Crustations/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/Celeriac	NO				
Lupins	NO				
*Including any product derived from slaughtered animals, e.g. gelatine, rennet					
**Including wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, etc.					
<b><u>Please be aware the manufacturing sites we supply this item from may handle allergens in production. Procedures are in place to prevent cross-contamination.</u></b>					
<b>Is this product Suitable for:</b>					
<b>Vegans</b>	Yes (Not certified)	<b>Vegetarians</b>	Yes	<b>Organic</b>	No
<b>Halal</b>	Yes (Not certified)	<b>Kosher</b>	Yes (Not certified)		

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### **FOOD ADDITIVES**


<b>E. Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>In Which Ingredient</b>	<b>Function in Ingredient</b>	<b>Function in Final Product</b>	<b>% In Final Product</b>
E260	Acetic Acid	Brine	Brine	acidifier	3.0
E509	Calcium Chloride	Brine	Brine		0.5

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Signed on behalf of Foodnet Ltd:

Name: Gianluca Oberto

Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: 

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

Signed on behalf of the Customer:

Name:

Job Title:

Signature:

Date:

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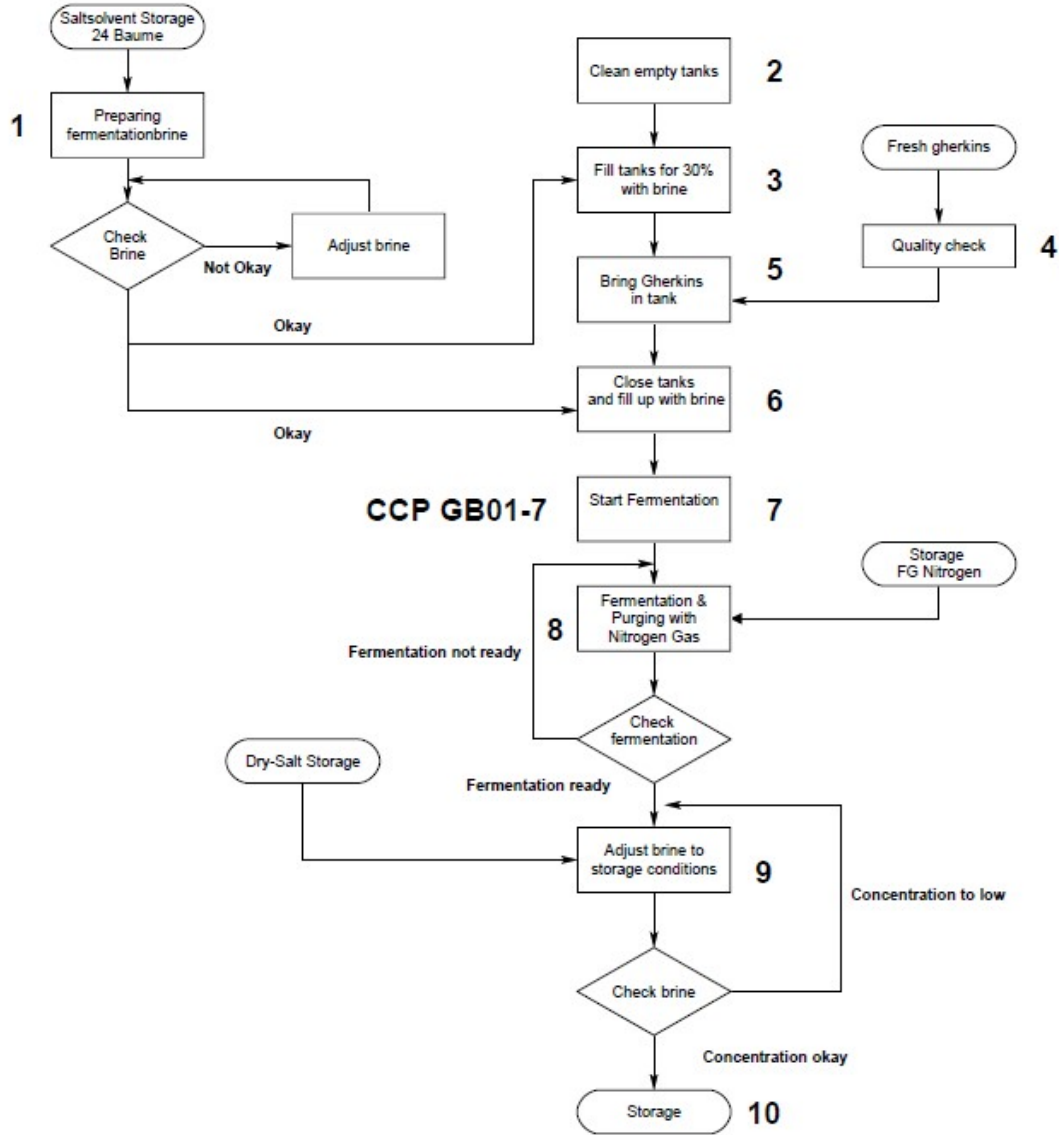


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**PROCESS INFORMATION**

**PROCESS FLOW CHART\***

\*Note: this is a generic flow chart which does not refer to any specific production site.



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**Issues & Amendments**

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3	1	31/01/2020	New entry	G. Oberto
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