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Technical Specification		
Product: Lime Zest Milled IQF	Last Update: 31/01/2026	Product Code: LIM005

PACK SIZE 1 x 10Kg; 5 x 1kg

ORIGIN: Spain

GENERAL The product shall be prepared from fresh sound raw material that is free from all toxic residues and taints and shall comply with all current UK/EU Food Legislation. The product is intended to be used as ingredient that is further processed and heat-treated before final consumption (minimum of +75°C for 30 seconds).

INGREDIENTS Lime 100% Declare as: Lime
(*Citrus aurantiifolia*)

PROCESSING Limes are harvested by hand and delivered fresh to the factory, each load is quality assurance sampled for foreign material and physical defects. The lime peel is washed, milled, inspected and frozen to -18°C or below.

PACKING During packing the lime zest is inspected before weighing and filling into blue poly lined cartons. The cartons are Best Before and Production date coded, check weighed, metal detected, palletised and stretch-wrapped before being returned to store at -23°C to await despatch to the UK, at -18°C.

DEFECT TOLERANCES

<u>Per 1000g</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Clumps	3
Foreign Material	Nil
EVM	1
Colour Defect	1%w/w
Oversize (L>5mm)	5%w/w

DEFINITIONS OF DEFECTS

Clumps

These are units which are welded together and cannot be separated without damaging the product.

Foreign Material

This includes any material such as insects, pieces of insects, wood, glass, stones, metal, paint, grease, oil, foreign vegetable material or any other material which would render the product unacceptable.

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EVM

These are pieces of vegetable material from the lime other than the lime peel. This also includes any piece of lemon stalk and leaves.

Colour Defect

These are units that are under-coloured and do not possess the typical yellow colour of the lime peel.

Oversize

These are units which are greater than 5mm.

ORGANOLEPSIS (Carried out on a thawed sample.)

COLOUR Typical of the product.

FLAVOUR Full, characteristic of lime zest.

TEXTURE Fairly uniform.



Average sample

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MICROBIOLOGICAL

Organism	Target	Maximum
<i>TVC @ 30°C</i>	5×10^4	1×10^6
<i>Total Coliforms</i>	1×10^2	1×10^4
<i>E. coli</i>	Nil	1×10^2
<i>Listeria mono</i>	Absent in 25g	1×10^2
<i>Salmonella</i>	Absent in 25g	Absent in 25g

ANALYTICAL N/A – Un-blanching product.

WEIGHT CONTROL The product shall be packed to minimum weight.

METAL DETECTION All cartons shall be passed through a metal detector. The system shall be tested at least every 2 hours using ferrous, non-ferrous and stainless-steel test pieces.

BEST BEFORE DATE The product shall be twenty-four months following the month of packing. Minimum BB date on delivery: 6 months.

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

STORAGE CONDITIONS Keep frozen at - 18°C at all times.

CARTON LINERS Blue food grade polythene liner of a minimum thickness of 30µm.

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

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NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION

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

100g of uncooked Lime typically contains: -

Parameter	Value / 100g	Methodology
Energy - kcal	30	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Energy - kJ	126	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Moisture	88.26	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Carbohydrate	10.54g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
- as sugars	1.69g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Fat	0.2g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
- as saturates	0.1g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
- as mono unsaturates	Trace	USDA Nutritional Database 28
- as poly unsaturates	0.1g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Protein	0.7g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Fibre	2.8g	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Sodium	2mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Vitamin A	2µg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Vitamin B ₆	0.043mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Vitamin B ₁₂	0.0mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Vitamin C	29mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Vitamin D	0µg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Thiamin	0.03mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Riboflavin	0.02mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Niacin	0.0mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Folic Acid	11µg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Pantothenic Acid	0.21mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Calcium	33mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Phosphorus	18mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Iron	0.6mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Magnesium	6mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Zinc	0.11mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28
Potassium	102mg	USDA Nutritional Database 28

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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: 31st January 2026

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: 31st January 2026

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

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/Crustations/Molluscs	NO			
Cereals (**)	NO			
Gluten	NO			
Yeast/Yeast Extract	NO			
Soya/Soya Derivatives	NO			
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	YES		100% Lime	
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/Celериac	NO			
Lupins	NO			
*Including any product derived from slaughtered animals, e.g. gelatine, rennet				
**Including wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, etc.				
<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>				
Is this product Suitable for:				
Vegans	Yes (Not certified)	Vegetarians	Yes	Organic No
Halal	Yes (Not certified)	Kosher	Yes (Not certified)	

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FOOD ADDITIVES

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

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Signed on behalf of Foodnet Ltd:

Name: Gianluca Oberto

Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: 

Date: 31st January 2026

Signed on behalf of the Customer:

Name:

Job Title:

Signature:

Date:

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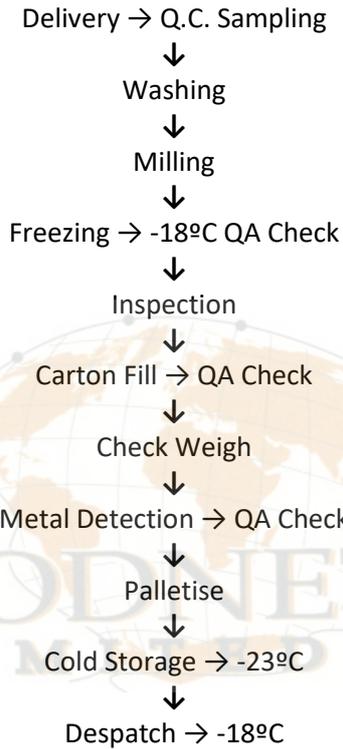
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PROCESS INFORMATION

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

Issue N°	Amend. N°	Date	Amendments	Compiled by
1	1	01/02/2016	New entry	G. Oberto
2	1	01/05/2017	Defect tolerances – minimum ref samples; Reviewed BB and Traceability info. Added Storage Conditions. Reviewed Food Intolerance table, Flow Chart and Amendment table.	G. Oberto
3	1	31/01/2020	3 Year update – general revision	G. Oberto
4	1	31/01/2023	3 Year update – general revision	F. Soares
5	1	31/01/2026	3 Year update – general revision	F. Soares

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