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## **TRADE MITIGATION SPECIFICATION for IN-SHELL PISTACHIOS and SHELLED PECANS**

### COMMODITY SPECIFICATION for SHELLED NUTS – August 2014

**This specification is for Trade Mitigation Purchases Only.**

New text is in **blue**, links to information are underlined.

These purchases **must meet** all relevant requirements of the [Commodity Specification for Shelled Nuts August 2014](#), with additional requirements shown below.

Inspection will occur at the shipping point (origin).

#### **D. Roasted Pistachios**

##### **Pistachio Nuts in the Shell:**

All Pistachios must be of 100% domestic origin. When requested, the vendors will make all paperwork available to SCI that confirms 100% domestic origin traceback from final package to the origin orchard, including all steps in the process.

Grade: Prior to roasting the pistachios must be U.S. Extra No. 1 as defined in the [United States Standards for Grades of Pistachio Nuts in the Shell](#)

Size: Large – 21 to 25 average number of nuts per ounce.

Moisture: average must not exceed 7 percent.

Sodium: Shall not exceed 120 mg per 1 oz. as evidenced by Nutritional Facts Panel.

Fumigation: The pistachios shall be treated with Propylene Oxide (PPO) or other validated methods such as steam treatment that achieves a minimum of 4 log reduction of Salmonella bacteria. Verification that such treatment has been performed must be provided to the USDA inspector.

##### Microbiological:

Aflatoxin: 15ppb or less. To be determined **prior** to roasting.

To be determined **after** roasting.

- Total Aerobic Plate Count: 10,000/gram or less
- E. coli: Negative
- Salmonella: Negative in 25 grams

Package size/type: 24/1 or 12/2 pound (as specified in the Solicitation/IFB) clear poly bag with minimum FDA labeling requirements. See below for minimum FDA labeling requirements.

Truckload case count: 1,640 cases

If shipping point is not also the facility where the pistachios are packaged into 12/2 pound bags for distribution, then the shipper will supply the packaging point (facility) with the U.S. Grading Certificate as well as a Certificate of Analysis (COA) showing the results of moisture and microbiological results.

## **E. Pecan Pieces**

All Pecan pieces must be of 100% domestic origin. All shelling of the pecans must take place domestically within the U.S. When requested, the vendors will make all paperwork available to SCI that confirms 100% domestic origin. The traceback will be from final package to the origin orchard, including all steps in the process.

Grade: U.S. No. 1 Pieces as defined in the United States Standards for Grades of Shelled Pecans

Size: 3/8 inch or larger. A maximum of 15% (by weight) may pass through a 3/8 inch opening.

Color: Light Amber to Amber

Analytics: Free Fatty Acid - 0.6% Maximum  
Moisture - 4.0- 4.6%  
Oil Content - 65.0% Minimum

Microbiological: Standard Plate - Less than 10,000 cfu/g  
Coliform - Less than 100 cfu/g  
Escherichia coli - Negative  
Staphylococcus Aureus - Negative  
Genus Listeria - Negative  
Salmonella - Negative in 25 grams  
Yeast & Mold - Less than 1,000 per gram

Package size/type: 24/1 pound clear poly bag with minimum FDA labeling requirements. See below for minimum FDA labeling requirements.

Truckload case count: 1,656 cases.

If shipping point is not also the facility where the pecans are packaged into the final primary container (poly bags) for distribution, then the shipper will supply the packaging point (facility) with the U.S. Grading Certificate as well as a Certificate of Analysis (COA) showing the results of analytical and microbiological results.

### **Minimum FDA labeling requirements.**

- Statement of identity, or name of the food
- Net quantity statement
- Ingredient statement
- Manufacturer or distributor location statement

- Allergen declaration
- Suitably code marked so that the product can be identified with related inspection certificates or in the event of a recall

Material Codes and UPC numbers

<b>Shelled Nuts</b>	<b>WBSCM Material</b>	<b>Primary Container</b>	<b>Secondary Container</b>
<b>Pistachios In-Shell (12/2 lb.)</b>	<b>111090</b>	<b>7 15001 10090</b>	<b>1 07 15001 10090</b>
<b>Pecan Pieces (24/1 lb.)</b>	<b>111101</b>	<b>7 15001 11101</b>	<b>1 07 15001 11101</b>

**All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.**