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# AMENDMENT NO. 1

# COMMODITY SPECIFICATION FROZEN FRUIT – June 2017

The purpose of this amendment is to make the following additions and clarifications in the Commodity Specification:

- Add additional language to Frozen Sliced Apples
- Additional terms added describing blueberry types
- Add additional pack size for Frozen Red Raspberry Puree
- For Strawberry cups, either fresh or frozen may be used in formulation
- For Mixed Berry cups blueberries may be either native/wild/lowbush or cultivated/highbush
- For Mixed Berry cups the strawberries used in the formulation may either be fresh or frozen
- For Mixed Berry cups additional language added to clarify end product characteristics
- Other clarifications and editorial changes

Original language is in **black** and new language is in **blue**.

# **II.** Individual Commodity Specifications

- A. Apple slices
- 1. Grade U.S. Grade A, in accordance with the United States Standards for Grades of Frozen Apples.
- 2. Style Sliced.
- 3. Type of Pack Individually Quick Frozen (IQF).
- 4. The varieties used will be suitable for slicing and freezing. No mixing of varieties is allowed.
- 5. Ascorbic acid and citric acid may be added to inhibit oxidation.
- 6. Sulfites cannot be substituted for ascorbic acid and citric acid.
- 7. No added nutritive or non-nutritive sweeteners or salt.

# 8. Once the product is thawed and free of ice crystals:

- Will be reasonably bright and show no more than slight oxidization (browning)
- The texture will be reasonably uniform and firm but not hard, excessively soft, or flabby.

#### D. Blueberries

- 1. Grade U.S. Grade B or better in accordance with the U.S. Standards for Grades of Frozen Blueberries.
- 2. Types of frozen blueberries.
  - a. native or wild (lowbush) type <u>or</u>
  - b. cultivated (highbush) type.
  - c. types a and b cannot be mixed.

# E. Red Raspberry Puree

Size:

Frozen Fruit	WBSC Material	Primary container	Secondary Container
Red Raspberry Puree (24/1 lb.)	110941	7 15001 10941 5	1 07 15001 10941 2
Red Raspberry Puree (6/5-3/4 lb.)	100250	7 15001 00250 1	1 07 15001 00250 8

#### J. Strawberries

# Frozen Strawberries in Individual Serving Sizes (cups)

- Grade Equivalent to U.S. Grade A based on tolerances established in the U.S. Standards for Grades of Frozen Strawberries, sliced style. Style used for this pack is diced.
- 2. Style Diced (approximately 3/8 to 1/2 inch). Fresh or frozen strawberries may be used for this formulation.
- 5. Pack Formula use of citric acid and ascorbic acid is optional.

# L. Mixed Berry Cup

# Individual Serving (11.5 + 1)

Grade
 Blueberries – U.S. Grade B or better in accordance with the U.S. Standards for Grades of Frozen Blueberries.

Types of frozen blueberries.

- a. native or wild (lowbush) type or
- b. cultivated (highbush) type.
- c. type a and b cannot be mixed.

Strawberries - Equivalent to U.S. Grade A based on tolerances established in the U.S. Standards for Grades of Frozen Strawberries, sliced style. **Style used for this pack is diced.** 

- 2. Style
  - a. Blueberries IQF whole berries.
  - b. Strawberries **Fresh or frozen** diced (approximately 3/8 to 1/2 inch).

Berries used and processed for this formulation must result in the end item that meets the requirements of this specification. Specifically in the formulated and <u>frozen end product</u>:

- The color and character of the whole blueberries will be U.S. Grade B or better
- The color and character of the diced strawberries will be U.S. Grade
   A based on tolerances established in the U.S. Standards for Grades
   of Frozen Strawberries for sliced style with the following exception:
  - A reasonable amount of discoloration of the strawberries is allowed due to the blueberry color migrating into the strawberry dices as long as the strawberry dices retain a <u>fairly good</u> pink to red color.
- 6. Pack Formula use of citric acid and ascorbic acid is optional.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.