

Product Identification

Method:

1. Receiving:

- a. Product is received, monitored for conditions, regulatory compliance, proper labeling.
- b. Labels are applied by the packer and shall indicate but not limited to:
 - i. Product Name
 - ii. Date Packed
 - iii. Weight
 - iv. Packer Name
 - v. Packer Establishment Number

2. Storage:

- a. Product is identified with labeling on each master container.
- b. Containers remain labeled until all product has been utilized.
- c. Containers are removed from storage once empty.
- d. Empty containers are sent for waste removal. (Recycled)

3. Production:

- a. During processing, product is cut 1-item at a time.
- b. Trim line employees trim 1-type/cut of product at a time.
- c. Once all product has been trimmed, the product is identified with a label and is removed to the next phase of the process.
- d. Trimmed product may next be portioned/processed, or packaged.
- e. At any case the product has an order ticket attached which clearly identifies the product and specification as well as order number and customer name.

4. Packaging:

- a. Product, once cut, shall be packed in appropriate packaging for that product.
 Majority of product is packaged in food grade, approved vacuum sealed films.
- b. Product shall be labeled properly to meet at a minimum, customer requirements (if any), and all regulatory requirements.
- c. Individual product units have a unique traceability code applied to each package.
- d. At a minimum, containers are labeled with:
 - i. Product Name
 - ii. Pack Date (Julian Code)

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- iii. Product description
- iv. Product Code
- v. Product Weight
- vi. Bar-Code

5. Records:

- a. The "ASPEN" ERP System provides identification as to quantity produced by code and description.
- b. The "ASPEN" ERP System provides identification as to customer orders and locations.

6. Responsibility:

- a. Each packer performs a continual quality inspection as each product unit is packaged.
 - i. Employees are all empowered to STOP a process if product or product specifications do not appear correct.
- b. Each packer is responsible to properly identify product cut and use packaging pre-identified with the proper coded labels.
- c. FS/QA employees or designees shall verify proper product, specification, regulatory, label, and identification compliance daily and document.
- d. SQF Practitioner shall verify records and monitoring processes.

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