

**UN RATIONS STANDARD**

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SPICE PEPPER PURE BLACK GROUND

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1. PRODUCT NAME

SPICE PEPPER PURE BLACK GROUND

PRODUCT RISK

LOW

MEDIUM

HIGH

2. DESCRIPTION

Spice pepper pure black is obtained by grinding whole unripe black pepper (*Piper nigrum* L.) berries, without adding any foreign matter to the pepper.

**3. INGREDIENTS****3.1. ESSENTIAL INGREDIENTS**

Spice pepper pure black

3.2. OTHER PERMITTED INGREDIENTS

None Permitted

4. PROCESSING**Processing**

- 4.1. CODEX "CAC/RCP 1-1969, Rev. 4-2003; Code of Practice- General Principles of Food Hygiene including annex on HACCP systems and guidelines for application.
- 4.2. ISO 959-1:1998
- 4.3. CAC/RCP 42 - 1995 Code of Hygienic Practice for Spices and Dried Aromatic Plants

5. MICROBIOLOGICAL CRITERIA**FOOD SAFETY PARAMETERS****MAXIMUM LIMITS**

- The product shall comply with any microbiological criteria established in accordance with Codex Guideline CAC/GL: 21-1997 "Principles for the Establishment and Application of microbiological criteria for food;
- The product shall be free from microorganisms in amounts which may represent a hazard to health and shall be free from any substance originating from microorganisms in amounts which may represent a hazard to health.

6. CHEMICAL CRITERIA**SAFETY PARAMETERS****MAXIMUM LIMITS**

Agrochemicals/Pesticides residues

CODEX MRLs

QUALITY PARAMETERS**MAXIMUM LIMITS**

Moisture content, max.	13% (m/m)
Total ash, max., on dry basis	6.0% (m/m)
Non-volatile ether extract, min., on dry basis	6.0% (m/m)
Volatile oils, (ml/100 g) min., on dry basis	1.0% (ml/m)
Piperine content, min., on dry basis	4.0% (m/m)
Acid-insoluble ash, max., on dry basis	1.2% (m/m)
Crude fibre, insoluble index, max., on dry basis	16.0%



7. PHYSICAL CRITERIA

PARAMETER	LIMITS
Odour or flavour	Characteristic of black pepper, strongly sharp and very aromatic
Colour	Black
Foreign matter	Free from musty odour, living insects, moulds, insects, insect fragments, foreign vegetable matter including material of animal and mineral origin and any other contaminants.
Storage and Transportation	Ambient temperature

8. CONTAMINANTS

- 8.1. The product covered by this Standard shall comply with the Maximum Levels for contaminants that are specified for the product in the General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed (CODEX STAN 193-1995).
- 8.2. The product covered by this Standard shall comply with maximum residue limits established by Codex Alimentarius (See: CAC / MRL: 2009 Maximum residue Limits (MRLS) for pesticides).

9. NUTRITIONAL FACTS (Approximate values per 100 g)

NUTRIENTS	AMOUNT PER 100 g OF PRODUCT
Energy	255 Kcal

10. PACKAGING

PARAMETER	LIMITS
Primary packaging	Food grade polyethylene or equivalent recyclable/biodegradable packing material that maintains the product's organoleptic qualities and sanitary integrity. Must withstand the rigor of transport and handling.
Secondary packaging	Corrugated paper box or packing that protects integrity of the primary packages, and withstands the rigor of transport and handling.
Primary packaging net weight	From 50g to 250g
Warranty at delivery location	4 Months

11. LABELLING

- 11.1. UNSTD-GEN-02 "UN Product Labelling"

12. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 12.1. UNSTD-GEN-03: "UN Inspection"
- 12.2. UNSTD-GEN-04: "UN Certification"