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CHICKEN WHOLE GRADE A FROZEN

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1. PRODUCT NAME

CHICKEN WHOLE GRADE A FROZEN

PRODUCT RISK

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
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2. DESCRIPTION



Whole young chicken (< 12 weeks of age) individually deep frozen (internal product temperature maintained at -18°C/ or below at all times after freezing) after packaging. Bird with white or yellow skin. It consists of an intact carcass with half of the neck attached with all parts, including the breast, thighs, drumsticks, wings, back and abdominal fat. Free of giblets. The head, one half of the neck, feet, gizzard, heart and liver are removed. The oil gland and tail may or may not be present.

3. INGREDIENTS

3.1. ESSENTIAL INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENT

Whole Chicken

3.2. OTHER PERMITTED INGREDIENTS

None

4. MICROBIOLOGICAL CRITERIA

Food Safety Parameters

MAXIMUM LIMITS

Salmonella spp Absent in 25 g.

Listeria monocytogenes Absent in 25 g.

Sulphite reducing Clostridium < 5.0 x 10¹ cfu/g.

Hygiene Parameters

MAXIMUM LIMITS

Total plate count <10⁴ cfu/g.

Total coliforms n=5, c=3, m= 5x10³ cfu/g., M=10⁴ cfu/g.

5. CHEMICAL CRITERIA

QUALITY PARAMETER

LIMITS

Limit of fluid lost from thawed poultry < 6%

6. PHYSICAL CRITERIA

PARAMETER

LIMITS

Texture They shall be of good conformation. The flesh shall be plump; the breast well developed, broad, long and fleshy, and the legs shall be fleshy

Odour or flavour Free of foreign odours.

Colour Overall bright appearance
Free of freezer burn, except those that are incidental, small and unobtrusive and not present on the breast or legs. Only permitted occasional pockmarks due to drying or small areas of clear, pinkish, or reddish-coloured ice.
A slight redness is permissible in wing tips and follicles,

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PARAMETER	LIMITS
Foreign matter	Free from any foreign material, dirt, blood or fecal contamination. The product must be subject to metal particle detection
Others	Free of viscera, trachea, oesophagus, mature reproductive organs, and lungs. Free of protruding bones or severe contusions. Some small discoloration, contusions or damage is permitted but not in breast or legs. A few small feathers, stubs (quill ends) and hairs (filoplumes) may be present on the breast, legs, rump, foot joints and wing tips
Other physical criteria	Free from ice glaze. Free from signs of thawing and refreezing

7. NUTRITION FACTS (Approximate values per 100 grams)

NUTRIENTS	AMOUNT PER 100 g OF PRODUCT
Energy	215 Kcal
Proteins	18.6 g
Carbohydrates	0 g
Fats	15.09 g

8. PACKAGING

PARAMETER	LIMITS
Primary packaging	Individually packaged food grade polyethylene sealed or equivalent packing material that maintains product's both organoleptic qualities and sanitary integrity. Able to withstand the rigors of transport and handling.
Secondary packaging	Corrugated paper box or packing that protects integrity of the primary packages, and withstands the rigors of transport and handling.
Primary Packaging net weight	1.3 To 2 kg
Warranty at delivery location	4 months

9. LABELLING

- UNSTD-GEN-02: "UN Product labelling"

10. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- CODEXCAC/RCP 8 – 2008 (Rev. 3) : "Recommended International Code of Practice for the Processing and Handling of Quick Frozen Foods"
- CODEX CAC/RCP 58-2005: "Code of Hygienic practices for meat"
- UNSTD-GEN-01: "Contaminant levels"
- UNSTD-GEN-03: "UN Inspection"
- UNSTD-GEN-04: "UN Certification"