

THE MORNING STAR PACKING COMPANY

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

PREMIUM SALTED SUN DRIED TOMATOES AMBIENT

(VARIETY OF CUTS)

DESCRIPTION:

Roma-style tomatoes that are picked at the peak of ripeness, dried naturally under the sun, with salt as the preservative, using the traditional method to develop the rich flavor profile characteristic of naturally sun dried tomatoes. The tomatoes are dried further to create products that are appropriate for use in dry mixes, spice blends and other low moisture applications.

INGREDIENTS:

Sun Dried Tomatoes, Salt.

SPECIFICATIONS:

PHYSICAL

<u>Color</u> Premium Salted Sun Dried Tomatoes at low moisture are characteristically deep brownish-red

with slight color variations due to natural growing conditions.

Size Double Diced Strips approximately 1/4" wide by 1/2" - 1" long.

Triple Diced Strips approximately 1/4" wide by 1/4" - 1/2" long. Finely Diced Irregular cubes ranging in size from 1/8" to 1/4".

Ultra Finely Diced Granular form – ranging from in size from 1/16" to 1/8".

Flavor & Pleasantly sweet, salty tomato flavor accented with a slight caramelized flavor that is

<u>Aroma</u> characteristic of salted sun dried tomatoes.

Shelf Life Ambient shelf life for product in unopened packages is 12 months. To maintain color, texture, & flavor the product must be stored below 65% humidity and away from product with strong

Storage odors. Freezing will extend shelf life.

<u>Packaging</u> Product packed in poly bags in fiber boxes

SIZES CUBE STANDARD PRODUCT CODE

25# bag/box 1.22 03-8x1111 ('x' indicates cut size)

<u>Kosher</u> Products are certified as Kosher by the Orthodox Union (OU)

ANALYTICAL, CHEMICAL & MICROBIOLOGICAL

<u>Pesticides</u> Shall not exceed U.S. Government established tolerances for pesticide residues

GMO Status Product is non-GMO

<u>Salt</u> 4 - 8 % <u>Moisture</u> 7 - 12 %

Microbiological Test Tolerance Limit

Standard Plate Count/g 400,000 max Yeast/g 4,000 max Mold/g 4,000 max

<u>Foreign Material</u> The product is prepared in a manner to preclude introduction of foreign or extraneous

material. All products are sorted through an in-line magnet and a state-of-the-art metal

detector to assure freedom from harmful extraneous material.

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