



# THE MORNING STAR PACKING COMPANY

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

### PREMIUM SUN DRIED TOMATO AND CHIPOTLE CHILI POWDER

#### DESCRIPTION:

Roma-style tomatoes that are picked at the peak of ripeness and then sun dried using the traditional method to develop the rich flavor profile characteristic of authentically sun dried tomatoes. Following the drying process, the tomatoes are then milled and then mixed with the chipotle chili powder to create a product appropriate for use in dry mixes, pasta dough, soups, smooth sauces and snack coatings.

#### INGREDIENTS:

Sun Dried Tomatoes Powder, Chipotle Chili Pepper Powder, Sulfur Dioxide and/or Sodium Metabisulfite (for color retention).

#### SPECIFICATIONS:

##### PHYSICAL

<u>Color</u>	Premium Sun Dried Tomatoes and chipotle chili powder at low moisture are characteristically red to reddish-brown with slight color variations due to natural growing conditions.		
<u>Size</u>	<b>ON #8 SCREEN</b>	<b>ON #25 SCREEN</b>	
	2% max	15% max	
<u>Flavor &amp; Aroma</u>	Pleasantly sweet and spicy, distinct tomato flavor accented with a slight caramelized flavor that is characteristic of chipotle sun dried tomatoes.		
<u>Shelf Life and Storage</u>	Ambient shelf life for product in unopened packages is 24 months. To maintain color, texture, & flavor the product must <u>be stored below 65% humidity</u> and away from product with strong odors. Freezing will extend shelf life.		
<u>Packaging</u>	Product packed in poly bags in fiber boxes		
	<b>SIZES</b>	<b>CUBE</b>	<b>CODE</b>
	30# bag/box	1.22	TBD
<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			
<u>GMO Status</u>	Product is non-GMO			
<u>Sulfur Dioxide</u>	< 3,500 PPM			
<u>Moisture</u>	6 - 9%			
<u>Microbiological</u>	<b>TEST</b>	<b>TOLERANCE LIMIT</b>	<b>TEST</b>	<b>TOLERANCE LIMIT</b>
	Standard Plate Count/g	100,000 max	Salmonella	Negative /375g
	Yeast/g	2,000 max	Listeria	Negative /375g
	Mold/g	2,000 max	E-coli	<3 MPN/g
<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.			