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Technical Specification		
Product:	Last Update:	Product Code:
Battered Natural Onion Rings	31/01/2020	ONI025

PACK SIZE 6 x1kg;

ORIGIN: China / Poland

GENERAL The product shall be prepared from fresh sound raw material that is free from all toxic residues and taints and shall comply with all current UK/EU Food Legislation. The product is intended to be used as ingredient that is further processed and heat-treated before final consumption.

INGREDIENTS Batter* 50% (Belgium and Netherland)

Onions 40% (Netherlands or Poland or UK)

Sunflower Oil 10% (France or Italy)

*Batter (Wheat flour, Starch (wheat, corn, tapioca), Salt, Dextrose, Yeast, Raising agents (E450, E500), Thickener (E407, E412))

PROCESSING Onions are delivered fresh and peeled to the factory, each load is sampled and assessed for foreign material and physical defects. Once sliced, they are battered, fried, frozen and filled into bulk palletainers. The frozen onion rings are sampled and assessed against specification. The palletainers are then labelled and transferred to the cold store, where they are stored at -23°C until required for packing.

PACKING During packing, the onion rings are packed into PE film and metal detected before weighing and filling into cartons. Cases are printed with product description, production code and Best Before End declaration, sealed, palletised and stretch-wrapped before being returned to store at –23°C to await despatch.

QUALITY CONTROL Checks are carried out on the following: -

Processing: - Raw material

Final Product Temperature

Packing: - Metal detection

Check weighing

Final product physical defect levels

Organolepsis Case quantity Case sealing

Case coding and print quality

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DEFECT TOLERANCES

<u>1000g sample</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Foreign Material	Nil
Batter and Oil pick up	65%
Dark Spots (>19x13mm)	0
Broken Rings	3
Concentric Layers	1
Double Rings	2
Coating Voids	6
Irregular Shape	4
Inner Diameter<7mm	4
Total Defect	10

DEFINITIONS OF DEFECTS

Foreign Material

This includes any material such as insects, wood, glass, stones, metal, snails, slugs or any other material which will render the product unacceptable.

Batter and Oil pick up

This is the weight percentage of the coating (which includes the oil) as part of the finished product, measured by peeling off the coating from the onion rings.

Dark Spots

These are dark spots greater than 19x13mm, i.e. bits of burnt fryer debris attached to or imbedded in the coating.

Broken Rings

These are onion rings that are broken or damaged.

Double Rings

This is when 2 onion rings are welded together and cannot be separated without causing

Coating Voids

This are onion rings whose coating is partly missing to the extent that the affected area is greater than 25mm² or 13mm in diameter.

Irregular Shape

These are onion rings whose shape is extremely irregular.

Inner Diameter<7mm

These are onion rings whose inner diameters are less than 7mm or present no hole at all.

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The below minimum numbers of samples should be inspected and average result to be out-of-spec.

	Minimum sa	Minimum samples to be taken (1Kg of			
	prod	uct per each it	:em)		
Quantity Delivered (Kg)	10Kg Boxes	20Kg Bags	25Kg Bags		
<1000	4	2	2		
<2000	8	5	4		
<5000	10	7	5		
<10000	15	10	8		
≤27000	20	15	12		

ORGANOLEPSIS (Carried out on a thawed sample.)

COLOUR Shall have a uniform white or creamy white colour. May Have very

slight green-grey tints.

FLAVOUR Full, natural and characteristic onion flavour.

TEXTURE Diced onions shall be uniformly firm and tender



Average sample

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MICROBIOLOGICAL

Organism	Target	Maximum
T V C @ 30°C	1 x 10 ⁵	1 x 10 ⁶
Total Coliforms	1 x 10 ³	5 x 10 ³
E. coli	1 x 10 ¹	1 x 10 ²
Listeria mono	Absent in 25g	1 x 10 ²
Salmonella	Absent in 25g	Absent in 25g

ANALYTICAL N/A – Un-blanched product.

WEIGHT CONTROL The product shall be packed to minimum weight.

METAL DETECTION All cartons shall be passed through a metal detector. The system shall be tested at least every 2 hours using ferrous, non-ferrous and stainless-steel test pieces.

BEST BEFORE DATE The product shall be twenty-four months following the month of packing. Minimum BB date on delivery: 6 months.

TRACEABILITY INFO Production date or Lot number printed on the label as well as customer order number and/or delivery date.

STORAGE CONDITIONS Keep frozen at - 18°C at all times.

CARTON LINERS Blue food grade polythene liner of a minimum thickness of 30μm.

CARTONS Corrugated fibreboard of glued construction, no metal staples to be used. Shall be sealed using blue adhesive tape.

SACKS Blue food grade polythene liner of a minimum thickness of 110μm.

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NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION

This data conforms to the requirements of EC Council Directive 90/496/EEC

100g of battered onion rings typically contains: -

Parameter	Value / 100g	Methodology
Energy - kcal	207	Calculated
Energy - kJ	868	Calculated
Carbohydrate	25.3g	Calculated
- as sugars	2.5g	Calculated
Fat	11g	Calculated
- as saturates	1.4g	Calculated
- as mono unsaturates	2.7g	Calculated
- as poly unsaturates	6.7g	Calculated
-of which trans fat	trace	Calculated
Protein	3.0g	Calculated
Fibre	2.0g	Calculated
Sodium	1.2mg	Calculated

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GMO DECLARATION

Does the product, or any of its ingredients contain any genetically modified material (whether viable or not)?

YES / NO

Is the product or any of its ingredients not substantially equivalent

as a consequence of the use of genetic modification? YES / NO

Is the product or any of its ingredients produced from, but not containing any genetically modified material?

YES / NO

Have genetically modified organisms been used as processing aids or additives used in connection with the production of the food or any of its ingredients?

YES / NO

Have genetically modified organisms been used to produce processing aids or additives but where such genetically modified organisms are not present in the processing aid as used in connection with the production of the food or any of its ingredients?

YES / NO

Name: Gianluca Oberto

Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: Obah

Date: 31st January 2020

IRRADIATION POLICY

I confirm that the product supplied by Foodnet Limited under this specification has not undergone any irradiation treatment or process. I further confirm that no ingredient or processing aid used in conjunction with this product has undergone irradiation treatment.

Name: Gianluca Oberto Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: Date: 31st January 2020

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FOOD INTOLERANCE

Does the material supplied contain a Allergen	NO / YES	Reason for presence if YES
Milk & Milk Derivatives	NO	
Egg & Egg Derivatives	NO	
Animal Products (*)	NO	
Fish/Shellfish/Crustations/Molluscs	NO	
Cereals (**)	YES	Wheat, Corn
Gluten	YES	Wheat
Yeast/Yeast Extract	NO	
Soya/Soya Derivatives	NO	
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	NO	
Beef & Beef Products	NO	
Pork & Pork Products	NO	
Lamb & Lamb Products	NO	
Poultry & Poultry Products	NO	
Legumes	NO	
Peanuts	NO	
Sulphite >10ppm	NO	
MSG	NO	
ВНА / ВНТ	NO	
Benzoates	NO	
Glutamates	NO	
Azo & Coal Tar Dyes	NO	
Added Colour	NO	
Added Flavour	NO	
Preservatives	NO	
Antioxidants	NO	
Added Salt	NO	
Nuts/Nut Oils	NO	
Caffeine	NO	
Sesame Products	NO	
Garlic	NO	
Poppy Seeds	NO	
Mustard	NO	
Celery/Celeriac	NO	
Lupins	NO	

^{*}Including any product derived from slaughtered animals, e.g. gelatine, rennet

<u>Please be aware the manufacturing sites we supply this item from may handle allergens in production.</u> Procedures are in place to prevent cross-contamination.

Is this	product	Suitable	for:
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Vegans	Yes (Not certified)	Vegetarians	Yes	Organic	No
Halal	Yes (Not certified)	Kosher	Yes (Not certified)		

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^{**}Including wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, etc.



FOOD ADDITIVES

E.	Name	In Which	Function in	Function in Final	% In Final
Number		Ingredient	Ingredient	Product	Product
E407	Carrageenan	Batter	-	Thickener	
E412	Guar Gum	Batter	-	Thickener	Approx 0.035%
E450	Diphosphates	Batter	-	Emulsifier	for all four
E500	Sodium	Batter	-	Raising Agent	addictive
	carbonates				

COSHH Data

Treat as you would any frozen material i.e. if engaged in prolonged handling of the vegetables wear gloves.

Care should be used when lifting full cases of vegetables.

There are no other perceived COSHH implications regarding the use of frozen vegetables.

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Signed on behalf of Foodnet Ltd:

Name: Gianluca Oberto Signature:	Job Title: Technical Manager
Signature: Jaylur	Date: 31 st January 2020
Signed on behalf of the Customer:	
Name:	Job Title:
Signature:	Date:

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PROCESS INFORMATION

PROCESS FLOW CHART*

*Note: this is a generic flow chart which does not refer to any specific production site.

BATTERED NATURAL ONION RINGS

RMs delivered to the Factory \rightarrow QA Check **Cold Storage Manual Sorting** Battering **Breading** Frying Freezing \rightarrow -18 $^{\circ}$ C QA Check **Tipping** Cold Storage Packing in PE Film **Metal Detection** Check Weigh Carton Fill → QA Check **Palletise** Cold Storage → -23ºC Despatch → -18ºC

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Issues & Amendments

Issue N°	Amend. N°	Date	Amendments	Compiled by
1	1	01/02/2016	New entry	G. Oberto
			Defect tolerances – minimum ref samples; Reviewed BB and Traceability info. Added Storage Conditions.	
2	1	01/05/2017	Reviewed Food Intolerance table, Flow Chart and Amendment table.	G. Oberto
3	1	31/01/2020	3 Year update – general revision	G. Oberto

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