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Technical Specification				
Product:	Last Update:	Product Code:		
Diced Peeled Ginger 5mm IQF	31/01/2023	GIN001		

PACK SIZE 1 x 10kg;

ORIGIN: China

**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 (minimum of +75°C for 30 seconds).

**INGREDIENTS** Ginger 100% Declare as: Ginger

(Zingiber offinale)

**PROCESSING** The ginger roots are delivered and held in chill store at 2°C until required for processing. During processing the root clustered (hands) are broken apart, inspected, peeled, disinfected in peracetic acid, rinsed, diced, inspected and frozen to -18°C or below and stored in bulk at –18°C or below.

**PACKING** During packing the diced ginger is inspected before weighing and filling into blue poly lined cartons. The cartons are Best Before and Production date coded, check weighed, metal detected, palletised and stretch-wrapped before being returned to store at  $-18^{\circ}$ C to await despatch to the UK at  $-18^{\circ}$ C.

### **DEFECT TOLERANCES**

Per 1000g	<u>Maximum</u>
Foreign Material	Nil
Clumps (>25g)	10% w/w
EVM	1
Adhering skin	3
Discoloured areas	1%w/w
Undersize (<3mm)	5% w/w
Oversize (>7mm)	5% w/w

### **DEFINITIONS OF DEFECTS**

## **Foreign Material**

This includes any material not derived from the ginger plant or defined as EVM, such as insects, pieces of insects, wood, glass, stones, metal, sand, grit, plastic or any other material which will render the product unacceptable.

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## **Extraneous Vegetable Matter (EVM)**

Vegetable material derived from the ginger plant other than the ginger flesh e.g. pieces of leaf etc but does not include skin from the cloves. Vegetable material not from the ginger plant will be counted as Foreign material.

#### **Attached Skin Fragments**

This includes pieces of ginger skin which is adhering to the ginger dice.

#### Discoloured areas.

These are portions caused by bruising of the ginger during harvest and are brown or buff.

### **Undersize/ Oversize**

See table above for size definitions and tolerances.

**ORGANOLEPSIS** (Carried out on a thawed sample.)

<u>COLOUR</u> Typical golden yellow.

**FLAVOUR** Characteristic sharp flavour of Chinese ginger.

**TEXTURE** Fairly uniform, firm with slight fiberosity.



Average sample

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## **MICROBIOLOGICAL**

Organism	Target	Maximum
T V C @ 30°C	1 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	1 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
Total Coliforms	5 x 10 <sup>2</sup>	1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
E. coli	Nil	1 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
Listeria mono	Absent in 25g	1 x 10 <sup>2</sup>
Salmonella	Absent in 25g	Absent in 25g

**ANALYTICAL** N/A – un-blanched material.

**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.

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## **NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION**

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

100g of uncooked ginger typically contains: -

Parameter	Value / 100g	Methodology
Energy - kcal	38	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Energy - kJ	161	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Moisture	86.5g	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Carbohydrate	7.2g	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
- as sugars	2.4g	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
- as polyols	0.0g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
- as starch	4.8g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Fat	0.6g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
- as saturates	0.1g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
- as mono unsaturates	0.1g	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
- as poly unsaturates	0.3g	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Protein	1.4g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Fibre	0.7g	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Sodium	10mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Vitamin A	0µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub>	0.16mg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub>	0µg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Vitamin C	5mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Vitamin D	11µg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Vitamin E	0.3mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Thiamin	0.02mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Riboflavin	0.03mg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Niacin	0.8mg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Folic Acid	11μg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Biotin	0μg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Pantothentic Acid	0.2mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Calcium	16mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Phosphorus	34mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Iron	0.6mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Magnesium	43mg	McCance & Widdowson 6th Edition
Zinc	0.3mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
lodine	0μg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition
Potassium	415mg	McCance & Widdowson 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition

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### **GMO DECLARATION**

I confirm that this product is not genetically modified or produced from genetically modified organisms. No genetically modified organisms have been used as processing aids or additives. This product does not require specific GM labelling as per Regulation (EC) 1829/2003.

Name: Gianluca Oberto Job Title: Technical Manager

Signature: Date: 31st January 2023

#### **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 2023

#### **COSHH Data**

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

Care should be used when lifting full cases of frozen fruits.

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

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## **FOOD INTOLERANCE**

Does the material supplied contain a Allergen	NO / YES	Reason for presence if YES
Milk & Milk Derivatives	NO NO	
Egg & Egg Derivatives	NO	
nimal Products (*)	NO	
ish/Shellfish/Crustations/Molluscs	NO	
Gereals (**)	NO	
iluten	NO	
'east/Yeast Extract	NO	
Soya/Soya Derivatives	NO	
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	NO	
Beef & Beef Products	NO	
Pork & Pork Products	NO	
amb & Lamb Products	NO	
Poultry & Poultry Products	NO	
Legumes	NO	
Peanuts	NO	
Sulphite >10ppm	NO	
MSG	NO	
BHA / BHT	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	
	NO	
Viustard	110	
Mustard Celery/Celeriac	NO	

<sup>\*</sup>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. Procedures are in place to prevent cross-contamination.</u>

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

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Including wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, etc.



## **FOOD ADDITIVES**

E. Number	Name	In Which Ingredient	Function in Ingredient	Function in Final Product	% In Final Product
None					

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Signed on behalf of Foodnet Ltd:	
Name: Gianluca Oberto	Job Title: Technical Manager
Signature:	Date: 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2023
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.

## **DICED GINGER**

Raw Material Receipt → QA Check
$\downarrow$
Inspection
$\downarrow$
Washing
$\downarrow$
Peeling
$\downarrow$
Washing
$\downarrow$
Disinfection
$\downarrow$
Dicing
$\downarrow$
Inspection
$\downarrow$
Freezing → 18°C QA Check
$\downarrow$
Weighing
$\downarrow$
Carton Fill QA Check
$\downarrow$
Check Weigh
$\downarrow$
Metal Detection → QA Check
$\downarrow$
Palletise
$\downarrow$
Cold Storage → -18°C
$\downarrow$
Despatch→ -18°C

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# **Issues & Amendments**

Issue	Amend.	Date	Amendments	Compiled by
N°	N°			
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
4	1	31/01/2023	3 Year update – general revision	F. Soares
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