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FROZEN SPINACH

SIZE	DESCRIPTION	USDA TOTAL AQL	TOTAL AQL	
12/3	SPINACH, CHOPPED	15.0	14.0	
12/3	SPINACH, LEAF	15.0	14.0	

FROZEN PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:

- * Product must meet or exceed the following specifications as well as meet or exceed the current applicable USDA Grade Specification. All products are expected to be packed under good manufacturing practices and to be clean and wholesome.
- * Score: Must meet or be better than the AQL Level as specified. It must possess good typical flavor.
- * Style: Product must meet all styles and sizes as specified by the code description.
- * Size: Product is chopped to an approximate 3/8" x 3/4" piece. Leaf is cut so that no individual stem, free from attached leaf material, is longer than 3 inches.
- * Sample Unit Size: Chopped style 2.65 oz. Leaf style 10.6 oz.

* Prerequisites:

Product must have similar varietal characteristics.

Normal flavor and odor, free from off flavors or odors.

Color: Must have good bright green color as a mass.

Character: Must have good character.

- * Defects: Are as defined in the USDA grading specifications with the following tighter limits.
- Leaf Style: stem material not to exceed an AQL of 12.
- * Chopped Style: stem material does not more than slightly affect the eating quality.
- * Blemishes: blemished areas not to exceed an AOL of 12.
- Practically free from sand, silt, and grit, if any is present it should not more than slightly affect a sample. Lot is "practically free".

Scoring Factors	Totai*	Major	Severe	Critical
USDA AQL Grade	15.00	6.50	2.50	0.40
Max. AQL Grade	14.00	4.50	1.50	0.40

^{*} Sum of all factors including minor.