



Val-Mex Frozen Foods

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11/14/2018

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Finished Product Specification

Item
Number

IQF Sliced Strawberries

571-26

Product Description

Individually Quick Frozen (IQF) Sliced Strawberries: Prepared from intact and ripe fruit. Properly washed, sorted, sliced into 2 or more slices (every strawberry), and frozen. Clean facility (comply with Current Good Manufacturing Practices). Product stored and shipped at 0°F(-18°C)

Ingredients: Strawberries. No ingredients or additives. No genetically Modified fruit

Varieties: Festival and Albion **Flavor and Aroma:** Typical of good, ripe strawberries

Color: Good color. Uniform pink to red. 12% or less are under-rip or have darkened color

Brix: 8 -10° **pH:** 3.2 – 3.8

Size: Before slicing (whole strawberry) maximum diameter: $\frac{5}{8}$ in & minimum diameter: $\frac{1}{4}$ in; 90% are within that range. 5%: < $\frac{5}{8}$ in & 5%: > $\frac{1}{4}$ in

Stems: 1% or less have .13 in – .5 in

Character: Good character. 10% or less mushy, 5% or less damaged

(IQF) Strawberries Free-Flowing: Maximum 5% clumps

Foreign Material: 100% Free (i.e., No grit, sand, slit) **Origin:** Mexico

Certifications

KOSHER	Safe Quality Food (SQF) Code Edition 7.2
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Nutrition Facts (Raw Strawberries)

Nutrient	Value per 100 g
Energy	69 kcal
Protein	0.58 g
Total lipid (fat)	0.6 g
Carbohydrate	17.36 g
Fiber, total dietary	5.4 g
Calcium, Ca	21 mg
Iron, Fe	0.22 mg
Magnesium, Mg	17 mg
Phosphorus, P	27 mg
Potassium, K	292 mg
Sodium, Na	37 mg
Vitamin C	37 mg
Thiamin	0.03 mg
Riboflavin	0.03 mg
Niacin	0.6 mg
Vitamin A, IU	90 IU
Fatty acids	0.172 g

*Information is derived from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Microbiological Standard

Factor	Parameter
Total Plate Count	< 50,000 cfu/g
Yeast	< 5,000 cfu/g
Mold	< 5,000 cfu/g
Total Coliform	< 100 cfu/g
E. Coli	< 10 cfu/g

*Other microbiological testing/analysis upon request

USDA Grade Standard Quality Score

Color	37/40
Defects Free	37/40
Character	19/20
Total	93/100

Shelf Life

Time	2 Years
Keep at	Below 0° (-18°C)

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Packaging Characteristics 30 lbs			
Primary Packaging		Final Packaging	
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Net Weight	30 lbs	Net Weight	30 lbs
Liner Material	Low-density polyethylene (LDPE)	Case Material	Cardboard
Liner Size Dimensions (Poly Bag)		Case Size Dimensions	
Length	22 in	Length	15.5 in
Width	14 in	Width	12.5 in
Height	30 in	Height	9.5 in



Code Format		
Plant Initials	Last 2 Digits of The Year	Julian Calendar Day
XX	YY	####
AA= Apple Apple	18= 2018	051= February 20

Transportation	
Pallet Grade B Dimension	48 in x 40 in
Cases per Pallet (60)	Tie: 10 High: 6