Product Specification

Blackberry IQF A

Whole

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Product Description

Variety	Cherokee and Marion
Description	Frozen blackberries from healthy, fresh and firm fruit, harvested at full colour. Individually quick frozen and destemmed.
Ingredient	Blackberries (100%). No additives.
Origin	Chile
Harvest	December to March

Sensory Characteristics

Colour	Black to dark purple, characteristic colour of ripe blackberry.
Smell	Characteristic smell of the fruit, free from off-odours.
Flavour	Characteristic flavour of the fruit.
Texture	Whole berries, individually frozen, free flowing.

Physical Characteristics

Appearance	Whole IQF
Out of colour (%)	≤ 6
Immature (%)	≤ 5
Over maturity (%)	≤ 3
Misshapen (%)	≤ 3
Clumps (%)	≤ 4
Physical blemishes (%)	≤ 3
Broken (%)	≤ 4
Mold or decay (%)	0
Calyx over 3 mm (unit/kg)	≤ 1
Stalks (unit/kg)	≤ 2
Own vegetable matter (unit/kg)	≤ 4
Insect damage (unit/kg)	0
Vegetable foreign matter (unit/kg)	0
Strange matter (unit/kg)	0

Percentages by weight on a 1 kg sample. Counts per kilogram. Own vegetable matter: leaf or stem.

Microbiology and Chemical Characteristics

Total plate count	< 50,000 CFU/g
Coliforms	< 100 CFU/g
S. aureus	Absent in 25 g
E. coli	< 10 CFU/g
Mould and yeast	< 1,000 CFU/g total
Salmonella	Absent in 25 g
Listeria monocytogenes	Absent in 25 g
Brix	10 – 12°
pH	3.4 – 4.0
Additives / preservatives	Absent
GMO status	Product not genetically modified.
Pesticides	Maximum limits in accordance with EU, USA or destination country legislation.

Storage and Distribution

Storage temperature	Between −18 °C and −20 °C
Distribution temperature	≤ −18 °C
Shelf life	2 years under the storage conditions above. Do not refreeze.

Packaging

Primary packaging	Blue polyethylene bag.
Secondary packaging	Carton box of 13.62 kg (30 lb).
Box sealed	Blue adhesive tape.
Brand	According to packaging specification.
Labeling	Product, format, packing date, expiration date, net weight, lot and origin. Passed through a metal detector.
Palletizing	According to customer specification.

Presentation



Export carton sealed with blue tape, and product inside the blue polyethylene bag.