

# **Product Specification for SPLIT PEAS**

Definitions:

For the purposes of these standards the following terms shall have the meaning stated below.

#### **Bleached Split Peas-**

Split peas of green-colored varieties which are bleached distinctly yellow in color or Split peas of yellow-colored varieties which are bleached distinctly green in color.

#### Classes-

The following two classes:

- 1. Green Split Peas- Split peas from the garden varieties which have green-colored cotyledons.
- 2. Yellow Split Peas- Split peas from the garden varieties which have yellow-colored cotyledons.

#### **Contrasting Classes-**

Split peas which are of a color contrasting with the predominating class of split peas. Bleached split peas of the predominating class shall not be considered as contrasting split peas.

#### **Damaged Split Peas-**

Split peas which are distinctly damaged by frost, weather, disease, heat (other than to a material extent), or other causes (except weevil or material heat damage), or are distinctly soiled or stained by nightshade, dirt, or toxic material.

#### **Defective Split Peas-**

The categories of defective split peas shall be weevil-damaged split peas, heat-damaged split peas, damaged spit peas, contrasting split peas, whole peas, white caps, and bleached split peas.

#### Fair Color Split Peas-

Split peas that in mass are off color from the characteristic color of the predominating class as a result of age or any other cause.

# Foreign Material-

All matter which will pass readily through a 2/64 round-hole sieve and all matter other than split peas which remains on the sieve. (Foreign material shall include detached seedcoats and pieces of detached seedcoats.)

# Good Color Split Peas-

Split peas that in mass is practically free from discoloration and have the natural color and appearance characteristic of the predominating class.

# Heat Damaged Split Peas-

Split Peas which have been materially discolored and damaged by heat.

#### Poor Color Split Pea-

Split peas that in mass are distinctly off color from the characteristic color of the predomination class as a result of age or any other cause.

#### Weevil-Damaged Split Peas-

Split Peas which are distinctly damaged by the pea weevil or other insects.

# White Caps-

Split peas with seedcoat attached.

#### Whole Peas-

Dry peas which are not split.

Sieves:

# 6/64 round-hole sieve-

A 6/64 round-hole sieve shall be a metal sieve 0.0319 inch thick, perforated with round holes 0.0938 (6/64) inch in diameter which are 0.1562 (5/32) inch from center to center. (The perforations of each row shall be staggered in relation to the adjacent rows).

# 8/64 Round-Hole Sieve-

An 8/64 round-hole sieve shall be a metal sieve 0.0319 inch thick, perforated with round holes 0.1250 (8/64) inch in diameter which are 0.1875 (3/16) inch from center to center. (The perforations of each row shall be staggered in relation to the adjacent rows).

# 10/64 Round-Hole Sieve-

A 10/64 round-hole sieve shall be a metal sieve 0.0319 inch thick, perforated with round holes 0.1562 (10/64) inch in diameter which are 0.2187 (7/32) inch from center to center. (The perforations of each row shall be staggered in relation to the adjacent rows).

# 12/64 Round-Hole Sieve-

A 12/64 round-hole sieve shall be a metal sieve 0.0319 inch thick, perforated with round holes 0.1875 (12/64) inch in diameter which are 0.250 inch from center to center. (The perforations of each row shall be staggered in relation to the adjacent rows).

# **Application of Standards**

**Basis of Determination** 

- 1. All factor determinations shall be made on the basis of the split peas as sampled.
- 2. Defects in split peas shall be scored in accordance with the order shown in the definition list. Once an individual pea is scored in a defective category, it shall not be scored for any other

defect but it shall remain as a part of the sample for purposes of determining the percentages of other defects in the sample.

#### **REFERENCES:**

THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATIONS ARE REFERENCED IN THESE STANDARD AND COPIES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST TO THE FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

- A. MOISTURE HANDBOOK, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE.
- B. PEA AND LENTIL HANDBOOK, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE.
- C. UNITED STATES STANDARDS FOR WHOLE DRY PEAS, SPLIT PEAS AND LENTILS HANDBOOK.

All Split Peas shipped will be US#1 unless otherwise requested by the customer. US#1 Specifications are as follows.

Not more than 3.0% shall pass through a 10/64 round-hole sieve. Not more than 0.5% shall pass through an 8/64 round-hole sieve. Not more than 0.1% shall pass through a 6/64 round-hole sieve. Not more than 13% moisture.

Weevil Damaged Peas:	Not more than 0.5%
Heat Damaged Split peas	Not more than 0.2%
Damaged Split Peas:	Not more than 1.0%
Contrasting split peas:	Not more than 0.3%
Whole Peas:	Not more than 0.5%
White Caps:	Not more than 1.0%
Bleached Peas:	Not more than 1.5%
Foreign Material:	Not more than 0.1%

Split Peas shall be good color.

- \* Shelf life- 24 months
- \* Manufacture Code- PACKED DATE
- \* Storage- DRY
- \* Product is dated by PRODUCTION DATE

	Maximum percent limits of: Grades U.S.		
Grading Factors	U.S.# 1	U.S.# 2	U.S.# 3
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Split peas Passing Through-			
10/64-inch Round-Hole Sieve	3.0	15.0	25.0
8/64-inch Round- Hole Sieve	0.5	3.0	5.0
6/64-inch Round- Hole	0.1	0.2	0.3
Defective Peas			
Weevil-Damaged Split Peas	0.5	1.0	1.5
Heat Damaged Split Peas	0.2	0.5	1.0
Damaged Split Peas	1.0	1.5	2.0
Contrasting Split Peas			
In Green & Yellow Split Peas Only	0.3	0.8	1.5
Whole Peas	0.5	1.0	2.0
White Caps			
In Green & Yellow Split Peas Only	1.0	2.0	3.0
Bleached Peas in Green & Yellow Only	1.5	3.0	5.0
Foreign Material	0.1	0.2	0.5
Minimum Requirements for Color	GOOD	FAIR	POOR

# GRADES, GRADE REQUIREMENTS, AND GRADE DESIGNATIONS