



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR YELLOW FIN TUNA

GENERAL	
COMMODITY:	YELLOW FIN TUNA
BINOMIAL NAME:	THUNNUS ALBACARES
ORIGIN/FAO ZONE:	FAO47
CERTIFICATION:	PENDING: FRIEND OF THE SEA/ EARTH ISLAND
COMPLIANCE:	MARINE LIVING RESCOURE ACT 1998, HACCP, FDA, EU APPROVED
FISHING METHOD:	WILD CAUGHT - POLE AND LINE / HANDLINE
SIZE GRADING:	6 - 10 KGS + 10 KGS + 20 KGS + 40 KGS
DESCRIPTION:	WHOLE ROUND, GILL & GUTTED, DRESSED WITHOUT TAIL, HEADED & GUTTED
FREEZING METHOD:	LAND FROZEN, SEA FROZEN, BRINE FROZEN



ORGANOLEPTIC CHARACTERISTICS	
APPEARANCE:	CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SPECIES BY SENSORY ASSESMENT/ ANALYSIS
COLOR:	CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SPECIES BY SENSORY ASSESMENT/ ANALYSIS
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PHYSIO-CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS	
HISTAMINE:	LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: ≤ 100 ppm
HEAVY METALS:	MERCURY: 1.0 ppm max. LEAD: 0.3 ppm max. CADMIUM: 0.1 ppm max.

MICROBIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS	
AEROBIC MESOPHILIC COUNT:	< 10 ⁶ ufc/g
ENTEROBACTERIA COUNT	< 10 ³ ufc/g
SALMONELLA:	NOT FOUND IN 25 g SAMPLE
HEALTH CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED ON PHYSIO-CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS ONLY. AN ADDITIONAL COST FOR THE MICROBIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS APPLY	

PRODUCT PRESENTATION	
PACKAGING/ PACKING:	FROZEN LOOSE LOADED IN CONTAINER FOR SEA FREIGHT BAGGING AND TAGGING CAN BE SUPPLIED AT EXTRA COST
	FRESH PACKED IN POLYSTYRENE BOXES WITH FROZEN GEL PACKS AND ABSORBANT PAPER FOR AIR FREIGHT

TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE	
TRANSPORT	TRANSPORTED IN INSULATED REFRIGERATED TRUCKS / REEFER CONTAINERS
TEMPERATURE:	FROZEN ≤ -18 °C (BRINE FROZEN CAN BE TRANSPORTED AT ≤ -9 °C)
	FRESH ≤ 1 °C (AT TIME OF PACKING)
TONNAGE:	DEPENDING ON DESTINATION RESTRICTIONS
EXPIRATION DATE:	FROZEN - 18 MONTHS FROM FREEZING DATE
	FRESH - 10 DAYS FROM PACKING DATE

QUALITY	
TRACEABILITY:	ALL PRODUCTS CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE HOOK FOR QUALITY CONTROL PURPOSES
OTHER:	CLIENT MUST HAVE IN PLACE APPROPRIATE QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEMS AND PERFORM THE NECESSARY INCOMING INSPECTIONS TO ASSURE THAT THE DELIVERY OF PRODUCTS COMPLY WITH THEIR SPECIFICATIONS. IN THE EVENT OF FAILING SUCH CONTROLS, THE PRODUCT CAN BE RETURNED (IN THE SAME CONDITION AS DELIVERED) AND WE WILL REPLACE IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IF THE CLIENT DECIDES TO USE THE DELIVERED PRODUCTS IT WILL BE UNDER ITS SOLE RESPONSIBILITY. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY CLAIMS ON FROZEN PRODUCTS THAT HAVE BEEN DEFROSTED AND/OR PROCESSED.
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