

ARAT CO. Ltd.
MARA Brand

SAYER CHOPPED DATES (LASER SORTED) SPECIFICATION

Dates are the products prepared from sound fruit of the date tree harvested at the appropriate state of maturity. The product is then sorted and cleaned to remove any defective fruits or foreign materials. The resulting product is then chopped and rolled in dextrose or oat flour and packed in suitable packaging to assure preservation and protection of product. This Product is substantially free of blemishes, unripe dates, insect or mite damage, contamination, scouring mold and decay.

Item	Description	Remarks
1	General Process	The seeds have been removed from the Dates by manual means. Thereafter they are hand diced, passed through series of screen meshes, vacuums and blowers followed by an accurate Laser Sorted and triple handpicked. All Cartons are passed through a calibrated electronic metal detector fortress® capable to detect ferrous, non-ferrous and stainless Steel.
2	Pits	Max 1 per 400 Kg.
3	Calyxes	Max 1 Per carton
4	Infestation	No live infestation Dead infestation not to exceed 2 per 100 gr.
5	Foreign Material (straw, hair, thread)	Max 1 per 2 Carton
6	Moisture	Max 16%
7	Size	Regularly 0.9 mm or 3/8 Inch (length, width or Height)
8	Other varieties	Max 1%
9	Dressing	Dextrose or Oat Flour Rolled
10	Coating Content	Max 2%
11	Appearance	Golden To dark brown
12	Flavour	Characteristic fruity without foreign component
13	Storage Condition	Cool storage under 15° in Dry and Hyegine Place
14	Fumigation	Methyl bromide fumigated prior to shipment with no residue
15	Shelf Life	18 Months from harvesting time starting September of each year
16	Ingredients	Sayer Dates / Dextrose or oat flour
17	Packaging	12.5 Kg, 14 Kg or 30 lb Net (buyer's option), Telescopic Carton lined with perforated polybag
18	Kosher Cert.	Produced in Kosher approved plant

Microbiological

Aerobic Plate Count	Max 10,000 CfU/Gr.
Yeast and Mould	Max 1000 CfU/Gr.
Total Viable Count	Max 10 CfU/Gr.
E-Coli	Negative in 1 Gr.
Coagulase Positive Staph	Max 10 CfU/Gr.
Salmonella	Negative per 25 Gr.

- Neither This product nor its additives contain genetically modified organisms.
- Goods are free from microorganism capable of development under normal storage conditions.
- This product contains no substances originating from microorganisms in amount which may represent a health hazard.

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