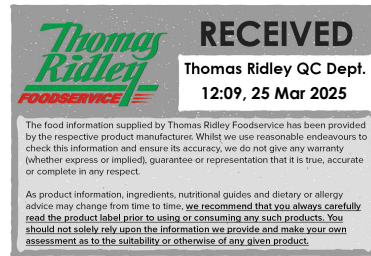




**BLUE MOUNTAIN FOOD LTD**  
**RAW MATERIAL SPECIFICATION**



Supplier:	Blue Mountain Foods Ltd		
Function (Agent, Manufacturer etc.):	Manufacturer		
Address:	Shaw House, Shaw Road, Bushbury, Wolverhampton, WV10 9LA		
Telephone:	01902 424133	Health Mark/EC License:	UK WN 057

Product Name                      Okra & White Rice

Legal Name                         Okra in a mild curry sauce with White rice, Green Beans & Plantain

Product Description              Caribbean Meal: Okra in a mild curry sauce with White rice, Green Beans & Plantain



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#### Raw Materials/Ingredients

Raw Material	Country of Origin	Grade	Size/Weight	Composition %
Long grain rice		A	114	28
Okra	UK	A	60	15
Water	UK		50	12
Carrots	UK	A	20	5
Onions	UK	A	20	5
Rapeseed oil	Jamaica		10	2
Tomato	UK	A	15	4
Plantain	UK	A	40	10
Broccoli			40	10
Curry powder			5	2
Herbs and spices (Paprika, mustard flour, garlic, celery, cumin seed, chillies)			6	2
Wheat flour			20	5
			Total	100

#### Ingredients declaration (to comply with QUID regulations):

rice (28%), Okra (15%), water, carrots, onions, rapeseed oil, tomato, plantain, broccoli, curry powder, herbs & spices (paprika, **mustard** flour, garlic, ginger, **celery**, cumin, chilli); **wheat** flour (with calcium carbonate, niacin, iron, thiamin);



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#### Nutritional Values (typical per 100 grams)

Nutrients		Value /100g	Value/ per portion
Energy Kcal		193	529.2
Energy KJl		813	2235
Protein (g)		4.2	33.84
Total Fat (g)		5.2	18.72
Of which Saturated (g)		0.6	2.16
Mono-unsaturated (g)		2.2	9.81
Poly-unsaturated (g)		1.8	6.48
Trans Fatty Acids (g)		0.0	
Carbohydrate (g)		32.4	19.44
Of which Sugars (g)		2.4	8.64
Fibre(g)		2.6	9.36
Iron (mg)		1.9	6.84
Vitamin C (mg)		14	50.4
Vitamin D (µg)		0	
Total Folate (µg)		36	129.6
Potassium (mg)		273	982.8
Sodium (mg)		15	54
Calcium (mg)		72	259.2
Phosphorous (mg)		85	306

#### Analytical Data (as applicable)

Test	Target	Tolerances / range	Frequency of testing



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Intolerance Data	Yes/No X=Yes	Comments
Free From Gluten	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheat flour
Free From Animal Based Products	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Milk and Milk Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Egg and Egg Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Soya Flour	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Soya Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From HVP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From MSG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Nut and Nut derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Coconut and Coconut Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Beef and Beef Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Yeast and Yeast Extracts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Wheat and Wheat Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheat Flour
Free From Fish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Crustaceans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Molluscs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Celery	<input type="checkbox"/>	Celery in herbs & spices
Free From Mustard	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mustard in herbs & spices
Free From Sesame Seeds and Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Sulphur Dioxide and Sulphites at Levels Above 10mg/Kg as SO <sub>2</sub>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	



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Free From Hydrogenated Oils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Onion	<input type="checkbox"/>	Onions
Free From Garlic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Garlic in herbs & spices
Free From Tomato	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tomatoes
Free From Mushroom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Carrot	<input type="checkbox"/>	Carrots
Free From Maize	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Lupin and Lupin Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Antibiotics/Hormones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From GMO Protein/DNA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From GMO Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Suitable for Vegetarians	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Suitable for Vegans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

GM Ingredients listing :

Additives	Yes/No X=Yes	Comments
Free From Colourings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Flavourings*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Preservative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Antioxidant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Free From Others	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

\* If present, please confirm the flavouring status; **N** (natural), **NI** (nature identical), **A** (artificial)



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GM Ingredients listing : N/A

#### Processing Aids

Item Name	E Number	Function	Addition Rate (g/100g)
Sodium ferrocyanide	E535	Anti-caking agent in salt – non-declarable processing aid	Maximum 20ppm in salt
Calcium sulphate	E516	carrier for fortificants in wheat flour – non-declarable processing aid	Statutory level
Calcium carbonate	E170	Fortification of wheat flour	Statutory level

#### Additional Information for Fish and Meat Products Only

Legal Definition (eg reformed/natural/shaped)	Natural
Added Water (%)	N/A
Antibiotic Growth Hormones used	None
Chemical lean	
Minimum meat Content	25%
Minimum Raw Meat Equivalent (%)	



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#### Microbiological Standards

	Typical Value	Reject Value	Unit of Measure	Method
TVC	1000	> 1 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Bacillus cereus	< 50	> 100	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Clostridium perfringens	< 10	> 100	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Staphylococcus aureus	< 50	> 100	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Salmonella spp	Absent	Present	cfu/25g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Clostridium botulinum				
Listeria monocytogenes	Absent	Present	cfu/25g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Coliforms	10	> 100	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Escherichia coli O157	Absent	>10	cfu/g	Ukas Accredited Lab
Shigella				

#### Quality and Safety Standards

Ingredient Name:	Okra & White Rice		
Product Group:	Ready meals		
'State' e.g. liquid, solid, powder, paste, IQF, chilled	Frozen		
Maximum Life	12 months	Storage Temperature (°C)	-18°C or colder
pH (Minimum and Maximum)		Acidity	
aW (Maximum)		% Salt	



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% Moisture (Maximum)		Other (Please Specify)	
Washing Process (Detail Chemical used, concentration and contact / dwell time)	Water Potable		
Heat Process (Detail core time and temperature minimum)	Rice to be cooked >90°C for 10 minutes and until done  Final temperature to be achieved. - Final core temperature recorded is always above 90°C		
Filling Conditions (e.g. cold filled, hot filled, cooked in pack, VP/MAP)	Hot Filled plastic Trays		
Maximum time taken to cool to final storage temperature (°C)	180 minutes to -18°C		
Microbiological Positive Release (organism & frequency)	Not positive released		
'Other' e.g. alcohol content (%)/residual nitrite/ propylene glycol	N/A		
Process procedures	Rice: Intake of rice weighing, washing of rice, cooking rice add to depositor.  Sauce: intake, weighing, sieve, mix spices into water, boil and add to depositor  Okra -Intake, defrosting, marinate, cook in brat pan, transfer to trays to be packed in trays.  Final process: weigh and add okra portions into tray, add rice and sauce from depositor, seal film, metal detect, blast freeze, store in freezer.		
Physical:	Okra in consistent sauce with white rice		
Biological:	See Above		
Chemical e.g. curing	N/A		





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Details of other relevant control points (as applicable):

Metal Detection	Sensitivity	Frequency of testing
Ferrous	3.00mm (Chrome)	Per Batch
Non Ferrous	3.50mm (Brass)	Per Batch
Stainless Steel	5.00mm (Stainless)	Per Batch

#### Batch Coding

Product coded with date code for traceability: Example: 2303232  
(date/month/year/shift)

#### Batch Coding Details

Produced on 23 March 2023,  
afternoon shift. 1 for morning shift, 2  
for afternoon

#### Storage and Handling

Ingredient Name:	Okra & White Rice		
Product Group:	Ready meals		
'State' e.g. liquid, solid, powder, paste, IQF, chilled	Frozen		
Maximum Life	12 months	Storage Temperature (°C)	-18°C or colder
pH (Minimum and Maximum)	9 months	Acidity	
aW (Maximum)		% Salt	
% Moisture (Maximum)		Other (Please Specify)	
Washing Process (Detail Chemical used, concentration and contact / dwell time)	Water Potable		



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<b>Delivery temperature</b>	-18 °C or colder		
<b>Are mixed batch pallets allowed?</b>	Yes		
<b>Storage Conditions on Delivery</b>	-18 °C or colder		
<b>Maximum Temperature</b>	-18°C	<b>Minimum Temperature</b>	-20°C
<b>Optimum Temperature</b>	-18°C		
<b>Storage Requirements (example - keep away from light)</b>	Frozen -18°C		
<b>Is adherence to stated storage conditions required for SAFETY, QUALITY or Both?</b>	Both		
<b>Maximum Life from Manufacture</b>	12 months	<b>Maximum Life on Delivery</b>	< 12 months
<b>Minimum Life from Manufacture</b>	12 months	<b>Minimum Life on Delivery</b>	9 months
<b>Storage Condition After Opening</b>	N/A – cook from frozen	<b>Maximum Life After Opening</b>	N/A
<b>Minimum Life After Opening</b>	N/A		
<b>Once Defrosted, Life and Storage Conditions</b>	N/A – cook from frozen with film on in pre-heated oven to 190°C, gas mark 5, until piping hot, usually 30 – 40 minutes  Oven cook only		



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#### Organoleptic & sensory characteristics

	Accept	Reject
Appearance	White rice with Okra in a curry sauce	Under / over cooked Rice, broken down Okra.
Colour	White rice with yellow / brown sauce	Very dark / pale curry sauce.
Flavour	Hot, spicy curry sauce with slightly flavoured rice	Lacking flavor / excessively spicy. Off flavor or taints.
Texture	Moist, tender Okra in smooth, glossy sauce.  Soft cooked rice firm to the bite.	Under / overcooked Okra / Rice.  Water / stodgy sauce
Aroma	Strong, spicy Okra curry	Any off flavours or taints

Piece Weight	Minimum	Maximum	Average
Okra sauce	117g	124g	120.5g
Okra	83g	86g	84.5g
White Rice	160g	170g	165g
Pack Weight	Minimum	Maximum	Average
360g	360g	380g	370g

Defects	Definition	Tolerance
Foreign Material	Any material other than the natural ingredient e.g. metal, wood, plastic	Nil
Damaged packs	Punctured, torn, open seals	Nil
Poor coding	Absence or poor legibility of product name, best before date	Nil
Bones	Presence of any bones	Nil



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#### Packaging and Palletisation

Primary Packaging		
<b>Description</b>	2cpet plastic trays	
<b>Material</b>	Plain	
<b>Recyclability</b>	yes	
<b>Dimensions (L/W/H)</b>	Length 200.0mm, width 155.0mm, Depth/height 35.0mm	
Suitable for direct food contact		

Primary Packaging			
Description	Unit label		
Material	S/Gloss Paper Perm Adhesive	Weight	0.60g
Colour	1 Sort, 4 Separate Colours, Yellow, Red Green, Black	Recyclability	yes
Dimensions (L/W/H)	102mm X 102mm white back ground label printed red and blue on semi glossed perm.	Thickness	3 mil
Net Volume/Quantity			
Quality Requirements:	Freezer adhesive, label information clearly printed meeting legal requirement for font size/text height		
Primary Packaging			
Unit label			
S/Gloss Paper Perm Adhesive	Weight	0.60g	
1 Sort, 4 Separate Colours, Yellow, Red Green, Black	Recyclability	yes	
102mm X 102mm white back ground label printed red and blue on semi glossed perm.	Thickness	3 mil	



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Tertiary Packaging			
Description	pallet wrap		
Material	Polyethylene	Weight	67g on one pallet
Colour	clear	Recyclability	30% recyclability
Dimensions (L/W/H)	400 x250	Thickness	12 mu
Net Volume/Quantity			
Quality Requirements	sufficient to stabilise pallet		
Pallet Data			
Type:	Chep wooden pallets	Material:	wood
Dimensions (Max height as a minimum):	Maximum height: 1.65m	Number of Packs:	80 cases
Units per Layer:	10 cases	Layers Per Pallet	8
Net Weight/ Volume:	Net: 350kg  Gross maximum weight 1000kg (not including the pallet)	Quality Requirements:	pallet wrapped
Pack Labelling		Product Coding / Label (attach/photograph)	
All labels are printed on templates which contain the health mark and address of the company          Each meal is labelled with: product name, weight, storage advice, name & address of manufacturer, production code, best before date, product code, nutrition information, oven cooking guidelines, ingredients declaration, factory approval code.			



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<b>Case/Secondary Packaging Labelling</b>	<b>Label (attach/photograph)</b>
Each case is labelled with: product name, weight per meal, quantity, storage advice, name & address of manufacturer, best before date, product code, factory approval code.	

#### **Reasons for Rejection**

1. Microbiological standards have not been achieved
2. Contamination by foreign body
3. Poor physical and/or organoleptic standards
4. Temperature outside of acceptable tolerance
5. Lack of outer case labelling
6. Incorrect product coding
7. Damaged and/or soiled packaging (including broken pallets)
8. Poor state of delivery vehicle
9. If less than the minimum shelf life is remaining
10. Delivery without a certificate of analysis unless it has previously been agreed in writing
11. Non-conformance to approved specification



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**Health and Safety**

	Yes/No X=Yes	Comments
Health & safety data sheet attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Reason for creation of new specification version:	First version
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