

that a test piece can be trimmed therefrom to fit it. Use the rectangular receptacle for testing other units. Test no unit from which a test piece with rectangular peel surface at least 13 millimeters (0.51 inch) by 25.4 millimeters (1 inch) cannot be trimmed. Test the piece by means of a round metal rod 4 millimeters (0.16 inch) in diameter. To the upper end of the rod is affixed a device to which weight can be added. The rod is held vertically by the support through which it can freely move upward or downward. The lower end of the rod is a plane surface to which the vertical axis of the rod is perpendicular. Adjust the combined weight of the rod and device to 100 grams (3.5 ounces). Set the receptacle so that the surface of the test piece is held horizontally. Lower the end of the rod to the approximate center of such surface, and add weight to the device at a uniform, continuous rate of 12 grams (0.42 ounce) per second until the rod pierces the test piece. Weigh the rod and weighted device. Test all units in containers of 50 units or less except those units too small for testing or too soft for trimming. Test at least 50 units, taken at random in containers of more than 50 units; but if less than 50 units are of sufficient size and firmness for testing, test those which are of sufficient size and firmness.

(3) Determine compliance as specified in §145.3(o) except that a lot shall be deemed to be in compliance for peel in all styles except unpeeled styles and seeds in all styles except whole uncored style based on the average of all samples analyzed according to the sampling plans set out in §145.3(p).

(4) If the quality of canned pears falls below the standard prescribed in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the label shall bear the general statement of substandard quality specified in §130.14(a) of this chapter, in the manner and form therein specified; however, if the quality of the canned pears falls below standard with respect to only one of the factors of quality specified in paragraph (b)(1) (i) through (x) of this section, there may be substituted for the second line of such general statement of substandard quality ("Good Food—Not High Grade") a new line, as specified after the cor-

responding designation of paragraph (b)(1) of this section which the canned pears fail to meet, as follows:

- (i) "Not tender";
- (ii) "Small halves" or "small quarters", as the case may be;
- (iii)(a) "Mixed sizes";
- (b) "Undersized and/or oversized pieces";
- (iv) "Excessive peel";
- (v) "Blemished";
- (vi) "Unevenly trimmed";
- (vii) "Partly crushed or broken";
- (viii) "Excessive core";
- (ix) "Excessive core";
- (x) "Excessive seeds".

Such alternative statement shall immediately and conspicuously precede or follow, without intervening written, printed, or graphic matter, the name "pears" and any words and statements required or authorized to appear with such name by paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(c) *Fill of container.* (1) The standard of fill of container for canned pears is the maximum quantity of the optional pear ingredient that can be sealed in the container and processed by heat to prevent spoilage, without crushing or breaking such ingredient.

(2) If canned pears fall below the standard of fill of container prescribed in paragraph (c)(1) of this section, the label shall bear the general statement of substandard fill specified in §130.14(b) of this chapter, in the manner and form therein specified.

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§ 145.176 Artificially sweetened canned pears.

(a) Artificially sweetened canned pears is the food which conforms to the definition and standard of identity prescribed for canned pears by §145.175(a) except that in lieu of a packing medium specified in §145.175(a)(3), the packing medium used is water artificially sweetened with saccharin, sodium saccharin, or a combination of both. Such packing medium may be thickened with pectin and may contain any mixture of any edible organic salt or salts and any edible organic acid or acids as a flavor-enhancing agent, in a

quantity not more than is reasonably required for that purpose.

(b)(1) The specified name of the food is “artificially sweetened _____”, the blank being filled in with the name prescribed by §145.175(a) for canned pears having the same optional pear ingredient.

(2) The artificially sweetened food is subject to the requirements for label statement of ingredients used, as prescribed for canned pears by §145.175(a). If the packing medium is thickened with pectin, the label shall bear the statement “thickened with pectin”. When any organic salt or acid or any mixture of two or more of these is added, the label shall bear the common or usual name of each such ingredient.

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§ 145.180 Canned pineapple.

(a) *Identity*—(1) *Ingredients*. Canned pineapple is the food prepared from mature, fresh or previously canned, pineapple conforming to the characteristics of *Ananas comosus* (L.) Merrill and from which peel and core have been removed. The food consists of one of the optional styles of the pineapple ingredient specified in paragraph (a)(2) of this section and may be packed in one of the optional packing media specified in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, except water is not a suitable packing medium for crushed style. Crushed style additionally may be packed as heavy or solid pack as specified in paragraph (a)(4) of this section. The food may also contain one, or any combination of two or more, of the following safe and suitable optional ingredients:

- (i) Natural fruit flavors.
- (ii) Mint flavor.
- (iii) Spices, spice oils.
- (iv) Vinegar or organic acids.
- (v) Dimethylpolysiloxane in an amount not greater than 10 milligrams/kilogram (10 parts per million) by weight of the finished food as a defoaming agent.

The food is sealed in a container and, before or after sealing, is so processed by heat as to prevent spoilage.

(2) *Styles of pack*. The optional styles of the pineapple ingredients referred to in paragraph (a)(1) of this section are:

(i) *Slices or whole slices or rings*—consisting of uniformly cut circular slices or rings cut across the axis of the peeled, cored pineapple cylinders.

(ii) *Half slices*—consisting of uniformly cut, approximately semi-circular halves of slices.

(iii) *Quarter slices*—consisting of uniformly cut, one-fourth portions of slices.

(iv) *Broken slices*—consisting of arch-shaped portions which may not be uniform in size and/or shape.

(v) *Spears or fingers*—consisting of long, slender pieces cut radially and lengthwise of the cored pineapple cylinder, predominantly 65 millimeters (2.5 inches) or longer.

(vi) *Tidbits*—consisting of reasonably uniform, wedge-shaped sectors cut from slices or portions thereof, predominantly from 8 millimeters (0.31 inch) to 13 millimeters (0.51 inch) thick.

(vii) *Chunks*—consisting of short, thick pieces cut from thick slices and/or from peeled cored pineapple and predominantly more than 13 millimeters (0.51 inch) in both thickness and width, and less than 38 millimeters (1.5 inches) in length and does not include large cubes.

(viii) *Small cubes or dice*—consisting of reasonably uniform, cube-shaped pieces, predominately 14 millimeters (0.55 inch) or less in the longest edge dimensions.

(ix) *Pieces or irregular pieces*—consisting of irregular shapes and sizes not identifiable as a specific style and does not include chunks.

(x) *Crushed*—consisting of finely cut or finely shredded or grated or diced pieces of pineapple.

(xi) *Large cubes*—consisting of reasonably uniform, cube-shaped pieces, longer than 14 millimeters (0.55 inch) along any edge, but predominately 25 millimeters (1 inch) or less in the longest edge dimensions.

(3) *Packing media*. (i) The optional packing media referred to in paragraph (a)(1) of this section and defined in §145.3 are:

- (a) Water.
- (b) Pineapple juice and water.