

# Technical Information Inshell English Walnuts

**Product Description:** This product is comprised solely of clean, California grown walnuts, which meet the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) standards and inspected by the DFA of California under USDA guidelines. The nuts are freshly produced from the latest crop, unless otherwise specified, and are processed and packaged in accordance with Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) under sanitary conditions.

## **Physical Characteristics:**

## Size:

- Mammoth Not over 12%, by count, pass through a round opening 96/64" in diameter.
- Jumbo Not over 12%, by count, pass through a round opening 80/64" in diameter.
- Large Not over 12%, by count, pass through a round opening 77/64" in diameter; except for the Eureka variety and type, such limiting dimension as to diameter shall be 76/64".
- Medium At least 88%, by count, pass through a round opening 77/64" in diameter, and not over 12%, by count, pass through a round opening 73/64" in diameter.
- Standard Not over 12%, by count, pass through a round opening 73/64" in diameter.
- Baby At least 88%, by count, pass through a round opening 74/64" in diameter, and not over 10%, by count, pass through a round opening 60/64" in diameter.

## Mixed Size:

Categories for inshell walnuts are as follows and will be marked on the sacks with larger size indicated first:

- Jumbo/Large Minimum of 70% Jumbo.
- Large/Medium Minimum of 70% Large or greater sizes.
- Medium/Baby Minimum of 70% Medium or greater sizes.

## Variety or Type:

The variety or type of any lot, of walnuts in the shell may be specified in accordance with the facts as follows:

- (A) If the lot is one named variety, that variety name may be specified, provided, that not
  over 10%, by count, of the walnuts in the lot are of another variety or type than that
  specified.
- (B) If the lot is a mixture of two or more distinct varieties or types it may be specified as "Mixed Varieties".

#### Flavor:

• Clean, fresh walnut flavor, free from rancid, bitter, stale or other off flavors.

# **External Defects**

Tolerances for U.S. No.	1-External appearance	ce-bright or fairl	ly light; possibl	e slight chalky deposit.
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10%	Splits allowed in each grade  Broken shells greater than 1/4" in diameter Perforations aggregating more than 1/4" but not more than 3/8" in diameter Adhering hull affecting more than 1/20 (5%) but not more than 1/8 (12.5%) of shell surf Discoloration affecting more than 1/5 (20%) but not more than 1/3 (33%) of shell surface				
5% Damage					
3% Serious Damage	Perforations aggregating more than 3/8" in diameter Adhering hull affecting more than 1/8 (12.5%) of shell surface Discoloration affecting more than 1/3 (33%) of the shell surface				
	TOTAL OF 5% INCLUDING NOT MORE THAN 3% SERIOUS DAMAGE				
Tolerances	s for U.S. No. 2-External appearance-identified as not bright				
10% Damage or Serious Damage	Broken shells greater than 1/4" in diameter Adhering hull affecting more than 1/20 (5%) but not more than 1/8 (12.5%) of sh Perforations aggregating more than 3/8" in diameter discoloration affecting more than 1/3 (33%) of shell surface	ell surfac			
5%	Adhering hull affecting more than 1/8 (12.5%) of shell surface				
ТО	TAL OF 10% INCLUDING NOT MORE THAN 5% SERIOUS ADHERING HULL				
	Kernel Defects				
Tolerances f	or U.S. No. 1 Tolerances for U.S	No. 2			
10%	Discoloration darker than Amber Not well dried-pliable and rubbery Shrivel more than 1/20 (5%) but not more than 1/8 (12.5%)	15%			
6%	Wet-Undercured-Green rel more than 1/8 (12.5%) of both halves or more than ½ (50%) of one of the halves Rancidity, decay, or rot Mold-conspicuous-any color or amount Mold-inconspicuous-white or gray affecting an aggregate area larger than 1cm or 1/8 (12.5%) of the entire surface area-whichever is the lesser area	8%			
5% 0%	Insect Damage Live Insect	5% 0%			
700/ 12-14	Kernel Color	\make c :			
70% Light ar 40% Light in	mber 60% Light A cluded in Light Amber	Amber			

## Shelf Life:

• 12 – 18 months after initial harvest under proper storage and handling.

# Storage & Handling:

- For maximum shelf life, store between 40-45 F°, away from excessive heat and moisture.
- Do not store or ship with onions, garlic or other odiferous products.

# Packaging:

- Product is packaged in 50 pound or 25 kg food grade sacks. Each sack is identified with a numbered DFA inspection tag. In addition, tags may be added that may include a contract number, name of producer, variety, size, expiration date, etc.
- To ensure the highest quality, sacks are sewn closed.

USDA Grade: Merchantable, Class 1 or 2.

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