

Item: **Apples, blueberries, and cherries fruit mix**

Document: **PCR-F-006, Fruit Mix, Infused and Dried, Packaged in a Flexible Pouch, Shelf Stable**

Approximate Caloric Value Per Serving: **195** Component Classification: **Secondary**

Estimated Shelf Life: **36 months at 80°F**

Item Characteristics

Fruit mixture of infused and dried apples, blueberries, and cherries; free of clumped fruit pieces that cannot be broken apart with light to moderate pressure; practically free of core, stem, seed, pit, and peel material.

Appearance: Apples: 1/4 to 1/2 inch dices, golden yellow color, dehydrated appearance.
Blueberries: Whole cultivated, dark purple color, wrinkled and dehydrated appearance.
Cherries: Pitted, whole, red tart cherries, dark reddish-brown color, wrinkled and dehydrated appearance.

Odor: Slight dried fruit.

Flavor: Apples: Sweet, tart apple.
Blueberries: Sweet blueberry.
Cherries: Sweet, tart cherry.

Texture: Soft and chewy; not dry, brittle, or hard.
Blueberries may be slightly grainy.

Possible Deteriorative Changes

Appearance: Darked, browned, excessively clumpy.

Odor: Loss of fruity character, oxidized, musty, scorched, fermented.

Flavor: Loss of fruity character, oxidized, bitter, fermented, scorched, caramelized.

Texture: Excessively dry or firm or chewiness, grainy.

Unique Examination/Test Procedures

N/A

Special Notes

The dried fruit may be clumped but shall be broken apart with light to moderate pressure. This product should contain an oxygen scavenger packet. If defects such as an oxidized or rancid odor or flavors exist, they are likely due to package failure or the absence of an oxygen scavenger.