



Food and Nutrition Service

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains in Child Nutrition Programs

(Crediting Standards Based on Grams of Creditable Grains (ounce equivalent))

Program operators should include a copy of the label from the purchased product package in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative.

Product Name: _____ Code No.: _____

Manufacturer: _____ Serving Size: _____ (raw dough weight may be used to calculate creditable grains)

I. Does the product meet the whole grain-rich criteria? Yes _____ No _____

II. Does the product contain non-creditable grains? Yes _____ No _____ How many grams? _____ (Products with more than 0.24 ounce equivalent (oz eq) or 3.99 grams (g) for Groups A-G or 6.99g for Groups H and I of non-creditable grains do not credit toward the grains requirement for school meals.)

III. Use Exhibit A: Grain Requirements for Child Nutrition Programs in the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (FBG) to determine if the product fits into Groups A-G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains) or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). (Different methodologies are applied to calculate the grains contribution based on creditable grains. Groups A-G use the standard of 16g creditable grains per oz eq; Groups H and I use the standard of 28g creditable grains per oz eq or volume.)

Indicate which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the product belongs to: _____

Table with 4 columns: DESCRIPTION OF CREDITABLE GRAIN INGREDIENT*, GRAMS OF CREDITABLE GRAIN INGREDIENT PER PORTION¹ (A), GRAM STANDARD OF CREDITABLE GRAINS PER OZ EQ (16g or 28g)² (B), CREDITABLE AMOUNT (A ÷ B). Includes a Total row and a Total Creditable Amount³ row.

* Creditable grains vary by Program. See the FBG for specific Program requirements.
¹ (Serving size) X (% of creditable grains in formula); serving sizes other than grams must be converted to grams.
² Standard grams of creditable grains from the corresponding Group in Exhibit A.
³ Total Creditable Amount must be rounded down to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do not round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased _____

Total contribution of product (per portion) _____ oz eq

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a _____ ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides _____ oz eq grains. I further certify that non-creditable grains are not above 0.24 oz eq per portion.

Signature _____

Title _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____

Phone Number _____



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(Crediting Standards Based on Exhibit A Weights per Ounce Equivalent)

Program operators should include a copy of the label from the purchased product package in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative. Program operators have the option to choose the crediting method that fits their specific menu planning needs.

Product Name: _____ Code No.: _____

Manufacturer: _____ Serving Size: _____

I. Does the product meet the whole grain-rich criteria? Yes _____ No _____

II. Does the product contain non-creditable grains? Yes _____ No _____ How many grams? _____

(Products with more than 0.24 ounce equivalent (oz eq) or 3.99 grams (g) for Groups A-G and 6.99g for Groups H and I of non-creditable grains do not credit toward the grains requirement for school meals.)

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Indicate which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the product belongs: _____

Table with 4 columns: DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT PER EXHIBIT A, PORTION SIZE OF PRODUCT AS PURCHASED (A), WEIGHT OF ONE OZ EQ AS LISTED IN EXHIBIT A (B), CREDITABLE AMOUNT (A ÷ B). Includes a Total Creditable Amount row.

1 Total Creditable Amount must be rounded down to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do not round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased _____

Total contribution of product (per portion) _____ oz eq

I further certify that the above information is true and correct and that a _____ ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides _____ oz eq grains. I further certify that non-creditable grains are not above 0.24 oz eq per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz eq or 3.99g for Groups A-G or 6.99g for Groups H and I of non-creditable grains do not credit toward the grains requirement for school meals.

Signature _____

Title _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____

Phone Number _____