PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

Product Name	GROUND TARRAGON
Product Code	1122

Supplier	Name	Nuts In bulk Ltd
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Quality System Certified and implemented	ISO22000:2005 Food Safety Management Systems, BRC Global Standard for Food Safety
	and implemented the HACCP system according
	the EU standard.

PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS	
Origin	France /England
Product denomination (legal name)	Tarragon (Artemisia dracunculus)
Description of the product	Tarragon grows to 120–150 cm tall, with slender branched stems. The leaves are lanceolate, 2–8 cm long and 2–10 mm broad, glossy green, with an entire margin. The dried rubbed leaves are ground to a fine powder.
Description of the process	Sun – dried and partially separated from extraneous matter, at origin; cleaned, ground, sieved, passed over magnets, quality controlled and packed at FGS Ingredients Ltd.
Ingredients declaration	100% Tarragon (Herb).

Organoleptic values	Details	Method
Appearance	Powder	Organoleptic
Colour	Glossy Green	Organoleptic
Flavour	Characteristic to Tarragon.	Organoleptic
	No off flavours or taints.	
Odour	Fresh and characteristic of Tarragon.	Organoleptic
	No off odours or taints.	
Texture	Free flowing	Organoleptic

Analytical values	Target	Minimum	Maximum	Method
Moisture (% w/w)			12%	ISO 1442:1997
Acid insoluble ash (%			3%	ASTA 4.0
w/w)				
Ash content (% w/w)			11%	ISO 936:1998
Mycotoxins:				
Ochratoxin				HPLC

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Physical values	Target	Minimum	Maximum	Method
Extraneous matter			Absent	ASTA Cleanliness
Impurities/foreign material			Absent	Visual/Cleaning/Sifting
Metal detection	Fe	Non-Fe	SS	
(mm)	4.0mm	5.0mm	5.0mm	Metal Detector

Microbiological values	Minimum (m)/g	Maximum (M)/g	Method
TVC		10/6	ISO 4833:2003
Coliforms		10/4	ISO 21528-2:2004
B. cereus		1000	ISO 7932:2005
E. coli		10/2	ISO 16649-1:2000
Salmonella		Absent in 25g	ISO 6579:2002
Yeasts		10/5	BS 4285-3.6:1986
Moulds		10/5	BS 4285-3.6:1986

Heavy Metals (Data are based on the results of our internal monitoring system and supplier's information)
Products are supplied in accordance with the current EU/UK Contaminants Legislation.

Pesticide	Products are supplied in accordance with the current EU Pesticide
	Legislation.

Packaging	
Description	Blue Food Grade Poly Sac
Size	460 x 560 x 990 Tri-Ex 140mu
Packaging weight	Net 20Kg
Bag weight	150g-200g

Labelling	Product Description, Batch / Mill order Number, Best before Date, Net Weight
Storage conditions	On pallets under cool, dry, hygienic conditions; not exposed to sunlight.
Shelf life	Maximum 2 years on production.
	Minimum 75% of declared maximum shelf life.

ADDITIVE	E NO	YES	NO
Sunset Yellow	E110		NO
Carmoisine	E122		NO
Tartrazine	E102		NO
Ponceau 4R	E124		NO
Sodium Benzoate	E211		NO
Quinoline Yellow	E104		NO
Allura Red AC	E129		NO

PRODUCT SUITABILITY		
Vegetarians	YES	
Vegans	YES	
Kosher	YES	Not Certified
Halal	YES	
Coeliacs	YES	

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Nutrition information per 100g		
kcal	342	
kj	1442	
protein (g)	22.8	
carbohydrate (g)	42.8	
sugar (g)	0	
fat (g)	7.2	
saturates (g)	1.9	
salt (g)	0.15	

Calculation from Literature value using Nutrition Facts software.

No	Allergen	Present (Yes/No)
1	Cereals containing gluten, i.e. wheat, rye, barley, oats, spelt, kamut and	No
	products thereof	
2	Crustaceans and products thereof	No
3	Egg and products thereof	No
4	Fish and products thereof	No
5	Peanuts and products thereof	No
6	Soybeans and products thereof	No
7	Milk and dairy products (including lactose)	No
8	Nuts: Almond, Hazelnut, Walnut, Cashew, Pecan nut, Brazil nut, Pistachio	No
	nut, Macadamia nut and Queensland nut and products thereof	
9	Celery and products thereof	No
10	Mustard and products thereof	No
11	Sesame Seeds and products thereof	No
12	Sulphur dioxide and sulphites at concentrations of more than 10mg/kg or	No
	10mg/litre, expressed as SO2	
13	Lupin	No
14	Molluscs	No

GMO STATEMENT	
Referring to the EU council regulations 1829/2003 and 1830/2003, we herewith	issue the
following statement concerning the above mentioned product :	
Neither the product itself nor any component is produced from raw materials of	Yes
which genetically modified varieties are known.	
The product or a component is produced from raw materials which are identity	No
preserved. This statement is based on statements of our suppliers.	
The product or a component is produced from raw materials which have a GM origin.	No
This product needs declaration as GMO.	No

IRRADIATION STATEMENT

There are no known irradiated ingredients present in any of the raw material or finished products manufactured by the Nuts in bulk Ltd. The company has no intention of knowingly purchasing any raw material or ingredient that has been irradiated.

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REMARKS

Use in production

If the goods or any part thereof supplied under the contract are processed, altered or tampered with in any way by the buyer or receive of the goods or any other person, the quality of the goods shall be deemed to be acceptable to the buyer. All customers' quality control checks are to be completed on the entire load, prior to production and use.

Nut & Allergen Policy

FGS Ingredients Ltd is a Nut Free Site. We do handle Mustard, Celery and Wheat Flour onsite. We trade in Milk Powder and Sesame, these products are not processed. We have an Allergen Policy and Procedure in place.

Infestation

Relating particularly to Coriander Seed, Whole Chillies and Fennel Seed: We cannot guarantee that goods will not at a later date, be subjected to infestation, unless specifically vacuum treated or heat treated. Even after treatments, treated goods can be subjected to re-infestation if incorrectly stored. Untreated seeds, herbs and spices in any form, treated with approved chemical fumigants, are still susceptible to possible infestation, as insect eggs are not destroyed by current chemical fumigants.

Nut Statement

Whilst our suppliers are fully aware of consumer concerns regarding the use of Nuts and Nut products, and in many cases are nuts free sites, they are unable to give categorical assurances that their products are Nut Free from the following reasons:

- Many herbs and spices are grown and processed in close proximity to nuts at various origins
- Transportation can also be a possible source of adventitious cross contamination as many products are transported in containers from origin over which our suppliers are unable to exercise any controls.

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