

Quality requirements for feed raw materials

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Scope

This quality requirement shall apply for all raw materials to be supplied to SPECTRUM BRANDS GROUP, TETRA GMBH, Herrrenteich 78, 49324 Melle (following: Tetra GMBH).

Principle

Before the first supply TETRA GMBH receives a valid proof of registration as a feed producer / feed (or raw material) retailer.

The supplier explicitly assures the constant adherence of sensory, chemical, physical and microbiological quality parameters as agreed in the specification.

The supplier commits himself to inform TETRA GMBH immediately and in writing as soon as the marketability of the delivered contractual products is objected by the competent authorities or as soon as contractual products lose their marketability, regardless of the reason for the loss of marketability.

Hygiene, quality, traceability

In order to ensure product quality and to fulfill the binding requirements for marketing, the supplier undertakes to comply with the rules of good hygiene practice (GHP) and to maintain a HACCP concept on the basis of the requirements of the Codex Alimentarius. Measures to ensure the quality are implemented and documented.

TETRA GMBH receives the HACCP control plan including CPs and CCPs with tolerance and limit values before the first delivery.

The supplier ensures compliance with current legal and official regulations and requirements for hygiene, in particular the feed hygiene regulation (EG) No. 183/2005, in the currently valid version.

The supplier ensures full traceability of the delivered products at all times and in full, according to Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 in conjunction with Regulation (EC) No. 931/2011. He ensures that a retain sample from each batch delivered is taken and stored until at least one month after expiry of the shelf live.

Genetically modified organisms

The supplier expressly warrants that delivered products do not contain genetically modified organisms (GMOs) or are produced from GMOs or contain ingredients produced from GMOs, including additives, carriers and flavorings, and therefore are not subject to labelling according to Regulations VO (EC) 1829/2003 and Regulation (EC) No. 1830/2003. Exceptions are accidental or technically unavoidable contaminations with GMOs authorized in the EU up to the statutory threshold (in accordance with European regulations in force at the time of delivery).

NUTRITIONAL VALUES

If no raw material specification is available, the following nutritional values have to be stated at least:

- Calorific value (kJ / kcal)
- Humidity (g)
- Crude protein (g)
- Crude fat (g)
- Carbohydrates (g)
- Fiber (g)

ADDITIVES

In principle, the use of any additives must be limited to the lowest technologically necessary level and natural alternatives must be used whenever possible.

Additives used are in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 1831/2003, as well as European regulations, each in its currently valid form.

RESIDUES

The supplier expressly warrants compliance with the currently applicable national and European regulations on maximum quantity levels of pollutant residues (particularly with regard to pesticides, mycotoxins, heavy metals, pharmaceuticals, radioactivity) as well as compliance with additional requirements of TETRA GMBH in accordance with the specification. The supplier guarantees the freedom of pathogenic substances and micro-organisms within the legal requirements.

RADIATION

No raw materials shall be used that have been irradiated with ionizing radiation or whose ingredients have been irradiated with ionizing radiation.

IDENTIFICATION

All products delivered have to be declared in accordance with the valid EU regulation.

TRANSPORT, DELIVERY AND PACKAGING

When transporting animal feeds and raw materials, the hygienic requirements for the treatment of feed and raw material have to be complied with according to Regulation (EC) No. 853/2004 on food hygiene. In particular, the required temperatures during transportation must be observed. If required, relevant records have to be provided TETRA GMBH. The supplier commits to TETRA GMBH to provide goods on Euro pallets (= load carriers) for the purpose of transport. Goods are packed to be protected during the transport against:

Pollution, moisture, damage, pest infestation, static charge.

Safe loading and unloading must always be ensured.

Max. pallet height 1.80m, max. pallet weight (depending on raw material / container -> max. 1000 kg), delivery on clean and dry Euro pallets. Each pack must be labelled according to legal regulations (product name, batch, BBD, ...). During delivery, the supplier ensures compliance with local hygiene regulations and undertakes to instruct shippers and drivers accordingly.

DELIVERY IN SILOS (IF SPECIFICATED)

Delivery may only be carried out in silo or tanker vehicles which are approved for food transport and are used exclusively for this purpose. The use of multi-chamber vehicles is not permitted, only deliveries with approx. 27 tons of filling capacity are required. Cleaning certificates and the written documentation of the last two loads must be presented.

Discharge may only be carried out with unloading equipment (suction blower) provided by TETRA GMBH, not with silo vehicle-connected equipment (= blower). If certain connection hoses are required, they are provided by Tetra.

SHIPPING AND DELIVERY PAPERS

The delivery paper has to be attached easily visible by means of a document pouch on the package.

Shipping documents and delivery notes must also contain the following data:

Tetra order number, Tetra material number, delivered batch with corresponding quantity.

CERTIFICATES OF ANALYSIS

Certificates of Analysis of a laboratory with respect to the microbiological quality of the raw materials supplied, residues of mycotoxins and contaminants are provided TETRA GMBH at each delivery.

Certificates of Analysis may be sent to the following e-mail address:
coa.tetra@eu.spectrumbrands.com.

STANDARD CERTIFICATION

GFSI certification is preferred but not assumed. However, if a corresponding certification is provided, the following shall apply:

Audit deviation reports, including corrective and action plans as well as current certificates of the standard audits (e.g. IFS / BRC / FSSC 22000 / ISO 9001 / HACCP / GMP +) are to be made available to TETRA GMBH upon updating without being requested. Alternatively, there may be the possibility of granting TETRA GMBH access to these documents via a corresponding internet portal. The data will, of course, be treated with care and not passed on to third parties.

In the event that GFSI certification is not available, TETRA GMBH reserves the right to decide whether a release is already possible after examination of existing documents, or whether it is necessary to carry out an audit at the supplier in question.

AUDIT RIGHT

The supplier agrees to the conduct of an audit by TETRA GMBH and entitles TETRA GMBH to inspect all relevant procedures, facilities and records necessary for the production of the contractual products. This also applies if contractual products are produced by a third party with regard to auditing the third party work.

FINAL PROVISIONS

The supplier expressly warrants the implementation of the requirements specified in this document.

In the event that the supplier is a sales dealer and does not manufacture the raw materials supplied to TETRA GMBH himself, he requests an equivalent realization of all the above claims in writing from his suppliers. Distributors are obliged to disclose their suppliers. Where applicable, GFSI certificates of the manufacturers have to be available, unless the commercial company is certified according to IFS Broker or BRC Agents and Broker. A change of these suppliers may only take place with the written consent of TETRA GMBH.

In the case of justified doubts regarding the fulfillment of the obligations stated in this agreement, the supplier has to prove it at his own expense by submitting analytical certificates.