

Crediting Documentation:

Processed foods that are not listed in the USDA Food Buying Guide must have a product formulation statement (PFS), Child Nutrition (CN) label, or USDA Product Information Sheet to document meal component crediting.

Child Nutrition Labels

What is a Child Nutrition (CN) Label?

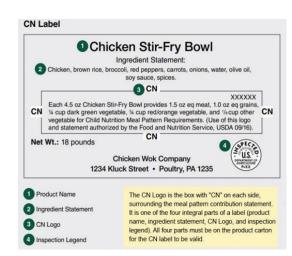
A statement on a product's box that clearly identifies meal pattern contribution according to the stated serving size. If the product has a CN label, a PFS is not necessary.

Child Nutrition labels must contain:

- Product Name
- Ingredient Statement
- Meal Pattern Contribution within CN logo
- Inspection Stamp

Acceptable forms of CN label documentation

- Actual CN label from product package
- Photograph/photocopy of the label attached to the original package
- Watermarked CN label accompanied by the Invoice (Bill of Lading) containing product name



Watermarked CN Labels

A CN label is watermarked when it is not attached to the actual product. An example is when it is provided on the manufacturer's website. It is only acceptable when accompanied by the Invoice (Bill of Lading) that contains the product name and CN number.





Product Formulation Statements

What is a Product Formulation Statement (PFS)?

Obtained from the manufacturer, this signed statement demonstrates how the processed product contributes to meal pattern requirements. These are not the same as product specification sheets, which cannot be used as crediting documentation.

Product Formulation Statements must include:

- Manufacturer's Name on Letterhead
- Product Name
- Product Code Number
- Serving Portion Size
- Description of creditable
 ingredients
- Weight of product, as purchased and cooked weight
- Total creditable amount of product per portion
- Crediting claim
- Signature
- Date
- Creditable ingredients listed in the PFS must match a description in the Food Buying Guide
- Verify that the crediting a product contributes to meal pattern requirements is not greater than the serving size of the product

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A Product Formulation Statement is not:

Nutrition Fact Label



Ingredient Label

Printed Name

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Product Specification Sheet

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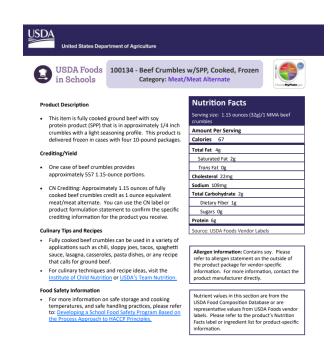
USDA Foods Fact Sheets

What is a USDA Foods Fact Sheet?

Nutrition facts information and meal pattern contribution for USDA Foods products.

USDA Fact Sheet Provides:

- Product descriptions
- Crediting/yield information
- Culinary tips and recipes
- Food safety information
- Nutrition facts label



Nutrition Facts Labels and Exhibit A

What is Exhibit A?

Products made of grains do not have a CN label. If the manufacturer does not have a product formulation statement for the item, the product's nutrition facts label along with the Exhibit A chart can be used to credit these grain products. Exhibit A provides crediting for prepared grain items using the product's baked weight. Find the Group on the chart containing the name of the grain product, then read the minimum serving size required for that group on the right-hand side of the chart.

Group B	Ounce Equivalent (oz eq) for Group B	
Bagels		
Batter type coating	3/4 oz eq = 21 gm or 0.75 oz	
Biscuits	1/2 oz eq = 14 gm or 0.5 oz	
Breads - all (for example sliced, French, Italian)	1/4 oz eq = 7 gm or 0.25	

Nutrition Facts Panel and Ingredients Example:

Nutrition	Amount/Serving % Dally Value*		Ansent/Berving % Bally Value*		INODEDIENTO, UNIOLE MAIEAT FLOUE
	Total Fat 0.5g	1%	Total Carb. 15g 5%		INGREDIENTS: WHOLE WHEAT FLO
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Serving Size 1 Sice (34g) Servings Per Container About 20	Trans Fat 0g		Sugars 1g		WATER, BROWN SUGAR, WHEAT GLUTEN
	Cholesterol Ong	0%	Protein 40 II	8%	YEAST, CANOLA OIL (NON-HYDROGENATED)
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Meat/Meat Alternate Product Crediting Documentation Decision Tree

