

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

PREPARED SALADS, FRESH

1. **INSPECTION:** All fresh prepared salad products made of meat and poultry must be processed or manufactured in plants operated under the Meat and Poultry Inspection Program of the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture or under an inspection program approved by that agency. The official inspection legend and plant number must appear on all shipping containers and/or individually packaged meat and poultry salads. All other fresh prepared salads must be processed or manufactured in plants operated in compliance with the Pennsylvania General Food Law (Act 121, Act of May 13, 1909, as amended September 1, 1967). Upon demand, all manufacturing plants must provide proof of passing annual inspection.
2. **LABELING:** Shipping containers and/or individually packaged items shall be labeled, printed, or stenciled with product identification, name and location of packer or distributor, net weight, appropriate ingredient statement and date of expiration.
3. **DELIVERY TIME LIMITATIONS:** Fresh prepared salads shall have a minimum shelf life of 14 days from time of delivery.
4. **PRODUCT CONDITION AT DELIVERY:** Salads shall be held in properly refrigerated rooms and transported in refrigerated trucks to assure excellent condition at time of delivery. Internal temperature at time of delivery shall be 35°-36° F. Salad items shall show no signs of leaking or mishandling at time of delivery.
5. **CONTENTS:** Salads shall contain only those ingredients specified. Federally approved colorings, and preservatives, except sulfites, may be used when necessary. (The use of sulfites is prohibited.) All eggs used in salads shall have been from product that was rated salmonella negative according to USDA methods of analysis and/or a product that bore the USDA inspection seal. New vendors who distribute salads other than brands previously approved by each facility shall submit product information and taste sample to the Director of Dietary Services prior to awarding the bid.
6. **QUANTITIES:** Quantities listed are estimates only and may be increased or decreased in accordance with the actual requirements of the facility. The facility may cancel any quantity of an order by providing notice at least 10 days prior to a scheduled delivery date, and will only pay the vendor only for products actually accepted by the Department.
7. **DELIVERY DATES:** Delivery must be made on dates as specified in contract. Any changes in delivery as specified must be approved by the Director of Dietetic Services prior to delivery or the delivery may be rejected.

8. **PACKAGING:** Products shall be packaged in sealed plastic tubs, corrugated cardboard carton with polylined, waxed carton or non-returnable tin with polyliner. Packed in 5, 10, or 30 lbs. container.
9. **ADDITIVES:** The use of sulfites is prohibited. However, other FDA approved preservatives may be used on prepared fresh fruits and vegetables as necessary. Preservatives used must be listed on the product label.
10. **PRODUCTS:** The vendor must provide properly labeled and identified products. Alterations to brands and codes must be brought to the attention of the Dietary Management Service Specialist as soon as possible. When pack size changes from stated/current pack (for approved brands), award will be made on cost/unit. Vendor must specify new pack size, count and weight/case. The bidder must forward this information on pack changes to the Dietary Management Service Specialist. Failure to forward information regarding changes may result in removal of products from the acceptable brand list.
11. **MANUFACTURER PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEETS:** Distributors will be required to supply Manufacturer Product Information Sheets to those facilities participating in the National School Lunch Program/ School Breakfast Program. This information must be provided upon the initial delivery and/or upon request by each participating facility.

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 COMMODITY LISTINGS FOR LOCAL PURCHASE PROPOSAL

				OPENING DATE:	
COMMODITY CLASS PREPARED SALADS, FRESH	NAME OF FACILITY			PROPOSAL NUMBER	
ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF COMMODITY	QTY.	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL

#1 CARROT & RAISIN SALAD - Shredded carrots, raisins, pineapple, mayonnaise/salad dressing and appropriate seasonings in proper proportion. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#2 CABBAGE SALW - Style: finely chopped or shredded. Cabbage, mayonnaise/salad dressing, condiments, other vegetables and appropriate seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. containers. This product may bid with and without government donated commodities. (Buyer to specify style and container size.) LB

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#3 PICKLED (PEPPER) CABBAGE - Style: finely chopped or shredded. Cabbage, peppers, and other vegetables, vinegar and appropriate seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify style and container size.) LB

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#4 VEGETABLE (HEALTH) SALAD - chopped and shredded vegetables, such as, but not limited to cabbage, cucumbers, onions, carrots and appropriate seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#5 CITRUS SALAD - orange sections, grapefruit sections and pineapple chunks in syrup. Packed in 14 lb. cans, 2 per case or 1 gallon containers, 4 per case. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#6 CREAMED CUCUMBER SALAD - Made from sliced cucumbers, onions, mayonnaise/salad dressing, condiments, dairy products, water and appropriate seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. container. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#7 MACARONI SALAD - Mustard style. Made from cooked enriched thin wall elbow macaroni, salad dressing, vegetables, condiments including mustard and seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb. or 15 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#8 MACARONI SALAD - Regular style. Made from cooked enriched thin wall elbow macaroni, mayonnaise/salad dressing, vegetables and condiments, milk, flour, eggs and seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#9 PASTA SALAD - Style: Rotelli or spaghetti (Maximum 5"). Type: plain, spinach or mixed. Consisting of enriched pasta, vegetables, oil dressing and seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify style, type and container size.) LB

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#10 POTATO SALAD - Mustard style. Made from U.S. No. 1 cubed potatoes, salad dressing, other vegetables, condiments including mustard and seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify size of container.) LB

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#11 POTATO SALAD - Regular style. Made of U.S. No. 1 cubed potatoes, salad dressing/mayonnaise, vegetables, milk, eggs, flour, condiments and seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify size of container.) LB

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#12 RICE PUDDING - Style: With or without raisins. Cooked rice, eggs, milk, sugar and appropriate seasonings in proper proportions. Packed in 5 lb., 15 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify style and container size.) LB

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#13. EGG SALAD - Diced, cooked eggs, salad dressing/
 mayonnaise, vegetables, condiments including
 mustard and seasonings in proper proportions.
 Packaged in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. container.
 Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#14. HAM SALAD - Natural cured ham, not pressed or
 chopped ham (fully cooked, ground), mayonnaise/
 salad dressing, eggs, vegetables, condiments and
 appropriate seasonings in proper proportions.
 Product to contain not less than 40% ham. Packed
 in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers.
 (Buyer to specify container size.) LB

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#15. POULTRY SALAD- Type: chicken or turkey. Chopped
 white or white and dark meat, mayonnaise/salad
 dressing, eggs, vegetables and appropriate
 seasonings in proper proportions. Product to
 contain not less than 40% poultry meat. Packed
 in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer
 to specify container size.) LB

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#16. SEAFOOD SALAD - 20% by total weight salad
 shrimp and 20% imitation crabmeat, salad
 dressing/mayonnaise, vegetables and appropriate
 seasonings in proper proportions. Product to
 contain not less than 40% seafood. Packed in
 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to
 specify container size.) LB

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#17 TUNA SALAD - Chunky white or white and
 dark meat tuna (water packed), mayonnaise/salad
 dressing, eggs, vegetables and appropriate
 seasonings in proper proportions. Product to
 contain not less than 40% tuna. Packed in 5 lb.,
 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers. (Buyer to specify
 container size.)

LB

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#18 SALAD BASE - Salad dressing/mayonnaise,
 vegetables, condiments including mustard
 and seasonings in proper proportions. Main
 ingredient to be added to the facility. Packed
 in 5 lb., 15 lb. or 30 lb. containers.
 (Buyer to specify container size.)

LB

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#19 FRESH CUT FRUIT SALAD - Packed in water, sugar,
 citric acid, ascorbic acid, sodium benzoate and potassium
 sorbate (both used as preservatives) Container size:
 8 lb. Pail to yield approx. 22; ½ cup servings.
 (Buyer to specify type and cut)

A. FRUIT COMBO:
 -Consists of whole orange sections and grapes
 as well as chunked (1-1 ½") pineapples,
 cantaloupes, honeydew, watermelon and apples.

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B. FRUIT SALAD:
 -Consists of diced (1/2") orange sections,
 cantaloupes, honeydew, and pineapples.

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C. CANTALOUPE:

- Chunked (1-1 1/2")
- Diced (1/2")

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D. HONEYDEW:

- Chunked (1- 1 1/2")
- Diced (1/2")

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