

Preparation and Handling Guide

Preparation







This product has not been fully cooked before freezing. Carefully follow the recommended cooking directions to ensure complete cooking.

- Thaw in pouch (in refrigerator or cold water bath). Some natural separation may occur during thawing. Please agitate the contents of the pouch gently before dispensing for even distribution.
- 2. Heat according to retherm cart instructions (cold plating compatible) OR by conventional methods in bulk (kettle compatible, large pot or boil in pouch)
- 3. Heat to boiling (min. 80°C/180°F) hold temp 5 7 min.
- 4. Reduce to holding temperature (70°C/160°F)
- 5. Stir periodically for bulk reheating.

Yields

Pack Size: 4x8 lb.

Format: Ready to Cook

Approx. Yield/Case: 512 fl. oz.

Portions per Pouch

21 - 6 oz 16 - 8 oz. **Portions per Case**

84 - 6 oz 64 - 8 oz.

Storage



Frozen

Shelf Life: 21 months

- 1. Store below -18°C
- 2. Expiry date on pouch & case
- 3. Return thawed, damaged cases



Refrigerated (unopened)

Shelf Life: 2 days

- 1. Store between 0° 4° C
- 2. Do not refreeze
- 3. Record storage date

Post Cooking Procedures



Holding Time/Temperature

- 1. Hold between 68°C and 73°C
- 2. Keep covered!



Handling Unused Soup

Shelf life: 2 days @ 0° to 4°C

- 1. Transfer to a clean **covered** tray
- 2. Chill immediately to 4°C
- 3. Record storage date

Tips For Optimal Soup Performance

- Keep soup covered! (Avoids evaporation which holds in quality and \$.)
- Have you brought soup to 80°C (180°F) and held for 5-7 minutes?
- Have you stirred it occasionally (every 20 minutes)?
- Are you holding soup between 68°C and 73°C (155°F 165°F)? A higher temperature will cause soup deterioration.
- Are the kettle inserts, lids and ladles cleaned and rinsed prior to use? (Grease build-up will break down product)
- Is your freezer temperature below 0°C (32°F) at all times?
- Did your soup arrive in a frozen state from your distributor? (i.e. sides of pouch firm when squeezed)
- Are your utensils (ladles/pots) free from rust or scratches?