

**NITTA CASINGS® Co-Extrusion Alginate Gel
GA1501**

Product Description.

Introduction

NITTA CASINGS® Alginate Co-Extrusion Gel is made from extracts of alginic acid derived from various species of brown seaweeds. The raw materials are produced from processing plants inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture (U.S.D.A.) located in the United States of America (U.S.A.) and are also used by food manufacturers throughout the world. They are used to manufacture edible sausage and sausage products utilizing modern high-speed equipment.

Composition

A typical NITTA CASINGS® Alginate Co-Extrusion Gel product contains the following ingredients which are listed in the order of their predominance in the product:

Water
Sodium Alginate
Acetic Acid

Regulatory

NITTA CASINGS® Alginate Co-Extrusion Gel is accepted by the U.S.D.A. for use in federally inspected establishments. The Sodium Alginate in this product meets the definitions and requirements for Sodium Alginate as set forth in FCC 10th Edition, 21 C.F.R. 184.1724 (USA) and Item A.5 of Table IV (Canada), as well as being recognized as GRAS. The ingredients used are subject to regulations by the Food and Drug Administration (F.D.A.). Nitta Casings Inc. operates a plant in Bridgewater, New Jersey, which is inspected by the F.D.A. and the New Jersey State Department of Health. For shipments of NITTA CASINGS® Alginate Co-Extrusion Gel outside the U.S.A. by a party other than Nitta Casings Inc., the responsibility to ensure regulatory compliance in the import country is that party's sole responsibility.

Microbiological Standards

Aerobic Plate Count/g < 1000 CFU
Coliforms < 3/G
Yeast & Mold Count/g < 100 CFU

Pathogen Standards

Listeria negative in 25 g
Salmonella negative in 25 g

Storage Conditions

NITTA CASINGS® Alginate Co-Extrusion Gel should be stored in a cool, dry location at 1°- 4°C. GA1501 has a shelf life of 6 months from the date of manufacture when properly stored.

GMO Statement

To the best of our knowledge and provided documentation by our vendors, sodium alginate used in our Co-extrusion Alginate Gel, does not contain genetically modified organisms (GMOs).