

**APP A
DPSCH 4155.2**

* **MONOGRAPH NO.: M2M**

(EPH)

ITEM: Escalloped Potatoes w/Ham

NSN: 8940-01-224-5459

ITEM SPECIFICATION: MIL-E-44200

APPROXIMATE CALORIC VALUE: 234 Kilocalories (PRIMARY)

CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM:

APPEARANCE: Sauce: Thick, light tan, creamy. Potatoes: White dices (except that they may pick up the color of the sauce). Ham: Pink-red pieces (dices).

ODOR: Cooked ham, slightly smoked, slightly spicy.

FLAVOR: Cooked, smoked ham, moderately salty, cooked potato, slightly spicy, slightly buttery.

TEXTURE: Sauce: Smooth and slightly thick. Potato dices: Firm but tender; not mushy but may be slightly mealy. Ham: Tender and chewy, moist.

DEFECTS LIKELY TO OCCUR:

APPEARANCE: Overall appearance darkens moderately (i.e., from moderately dark tan to light brown).

ODOR: Old ham, scorched milk.

FLAVOR: Old ham, scorched milk.

TEXTURE: Ham: Excessively firm, tough, chewy. Potatoes: Mushy. Sauce: Excessively thick or thin.

UNIQUE EXAMINATION/TEST PROCEDURES: If upon opening, the characteristics described above are not apparent when the product is cold, heat the product in boiling water or in a sauce pan for several minutes and inspect it for condition. After heating, the appearance should approximate that described above. **NOTE:** Even though heating will allow the true product characteristics to be seen, the product must also be serviceable in the unheated state.