

Item: **Tea, Instant, Regular, Sweetened, Lemon flavored (16 gram)**

Document: **CID A-A-20183 Tea Mixes, Instant (Variety I, Style A, Type 1, Flavor 2)**

Approximate Caloric Value Per Serving: 67

Component Classification: **Ancillary**

Estimated Shelf Life: **36 months at 80°F**

Item Characteristics

Appearance: Dehydrated: homogeneous mixture of light/medium brown, fine grained, free flowing powder.
Rehydrated: Light to medium rust-brown, clear or slightly cloudy liquid, may have slight sediment.

Odor: Mild tea aroma, moderate lemon, sweet, citric, slight perfume note.

Flavor: Moderately sweet, lemon, low tea, sweet, slight citrus, tart.

Texture: Astringent, drying, smooth, clean mouth-feel, liquid.

Possible Deteriorative Changes

Appearance: Clumping and darkening of powder; darkening of liquid, cloudy, un-rehydrated granules and excessive sedimentation..

Odor: Low to no tea odor, high perfume, musty, tart, bitter, burnt.

Flavor: Decreased tea/lemon/sweetness, sour, bitter, burnt.

Texture: Powder clumped and not free flowing; in liquid un-dissolved powder or excessive sediment.

Unique Examination/Test Procedures

Prepare beverage in accordance with package instructions. Product should dissolve completely within approximately two minutes.

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Special Notes

In the rehydrated product, if slight sedimentation is observed but the odor and flavor are normal, do not score the sedimentation as a defect during surveillance inspection; make note of it in the narrative for future use. Coagulation may occur if the product has had temperature abuse. Coagulation result in clumps of granules that do not readily dissolve when product is reconstituted and tend to float in suspension