
*MONOGRAPH NO.: 5A4

ITEM: Rice, White (RWH)

NSN: 8920-01-115-8109 ITEM SPECIFICATION: PCR R 003 Tray Can

8920-01-445-5736 PCR R 004 Poly Tray

APPROXIMATE CALORIC VALUE PER SERVING: 286

CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM

APPEARANCE: Shiny, distinct non-clumping rice kernels with light oil on the surface. Color profile: Rice is off-white, with a slight tan color.

ODOR: Heat processed, starchy odor with a slight butter/margarine aroma:

FLAVOR: Starchy heat processed rice with a moderate oily butter/margarine flavor.

TEXTURE: Tender, slightly chewy rice kernels. Product is slightly oily.

**ESTIMATED SHELF-LIFE AT 70 DEGREES F: 36 months
80 DEGREES F: 24 months
90 DEGREES F: 18 months
100 DEGREES F: 12 months**

EXPECTED DETERIORATIVE CHANGES

APPEARANCE: May lack fluffiness and have fewer distinct grains on the surface when well heated.

ODOR: Product may become slightly stale.

FLAVOR: Acidic flavor may become stronger (old version) or very slightly stale (new version).

TEXTURE: Rice may become slightly dry, hard, mushy, or pasty.

UNIQUE EXAMINATION/TEST PROCEDURES: Product should be fluffed well with a fork prior to examination.

SPECIAL NOTES: This was changed from an acid pH controlled item to a fully retorted item. Can is designed to yield 18 portions of approximately 2/3 cup each (170 grams).