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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

SALT, TABLE, IODIZED

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has authorized the use of this Commercial Item Description in lieu of Federal Specification S-S-31, Salt, Table.

Salient Characteristics.

The product shall be fine granulated, white colored, free flowing, derived from either rock or evaporated sources. The product shall contain one or more effective anticaking agents, and the finished commodity shall contain no more than 0.1 percent moisture by weight and be not less than 97.5 percent sodium chloride on a moisture free basis. There shall be not less than 0.006 percent nor more than 0.01 percent potassium iodide with suitable stabilizers, the quantity of which shall be limited by the sodium chloride requirement. All deliveries shall comply with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Contractor's Certification.

The contractor shall certify that the product offered: meets the salient characteristics of this Commercial Item Description; conforms to the producer's own specifications and standards, including product characteristics, manufacturing procedures, quality control procedures, and storage and handling practices; is the same product sold on the commercial market; has a national or regional distribution from storage facilities located within the United States, its territories or possessions; and is sold on the commercial market with commercial sales to the public predominating over sales to the Federal Government. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to the first delivery. Thereafter, proof may be provided according to contract provisions:

Packaging.

A. Commercial packaging. Salt shall be supplied in the following weights per unit package: not less than 0.75 grams, 1.135 grams, 26 ounces, 5 pounds, or 10 pounds. The 26 ounce package shall be fitted with a pouring spout. The package used by the supplier shall be the same as that normally used in commercial practice. One thousand 0.75 gram unit packages shall be intermediately packaged in a polyethylene bag or paperboard box.

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- B. Commercial packing. Packing shall be in accordance with commercial packing, complying with Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification, as applicable.
- C. Commercial unit load. Shipping containers shall be arranged in unit loads on 48" X 40" 4-way pallets that conform to the standards of the Grocery Manufacturers of America. The load shall be bonded to the pallet with strapping, shrink film, stretch film or other means that complies with Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification, as applicable.
- D. Export packaging. Salt shall be supplied in the following weight per unit package: not less than 0.75 grams or 5 pounds. The package used by the supplier shall be the same as that normally used in export shipments. One thousand of not less than 0.75 gram unit packages shall be intermediately packaged in a polyethylene bag or paperboard box.
- E. Export packing. Salt shall be packed in accordance with (1) or (2), as applicable.

(1) Twelve 5-pound or not more than 48 pounds of not less than 0.75 gram packages of salt shall be packed in a snug-fitting fiberboard box constructed, closed, and reinforced in accordance with style RSC, grade V3c, V3s, or V4s of PPP-B-636. The inside of each container shall be provided with a waterproof case liner constructed and closed in accordance with MIL-L-10547 for subsistence items. Reinforcement shall be restricted to nonmetallic strapping or pressure-sensitive adhesive filament reinforced tape in accordance with the appendix of PPP-B-636.

(2) Twelve 5-pound packages of salt shall be packed in a multiwall paper shipping sack fabricated and closed in accordance with type I, style B, or type II, style A, construction 4 or 4X, MBI of UU-S-48.

- F. Export unit load. Shipping containers shall be arranged in unit loads in accordance with type I, class A of MIL-L-35078. The load may also be bonded with stretch film in accordance with MIL-STD-147.
- G. Labeling (Commercial and Export). Labeling of packages shall be in accordance with commercial practice and shall comply with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and regulations promulgated thereunder. Individual packets procured for the Veterans Administration shall be printed in red on a white background.

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- H. Marking of shipping containers (Commercial and Export). Commercial markings for shipping containers are acceptable, provided the following information is included:

National Stock Number	Date of Pack (month/year)
Item Description	Contract Number
Quantity, Size, and Unit	Name, Address, and Zip Code of Contractor

- I. Marking of commercial unit loads. Marking of commercial unit loads shall indicate the number of containers per load, the gross weight, and the cube. In addition, the marking information specified in "H" shall appear on adjacent sides of the shipping containers.
- J. Marking of export unit loads. Unit loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-L-35078.

Notes.

Sources of Information for Non-Governmental Associated Documents:

National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc., Agent
National Motor Freight Classification
American Trucking Association, Inc., Traffic Department
1616 P Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036

Uniform Classification Committee, Agent
Uniform Freight Classification
Uniform Classification Committee, Room 1106
222 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago, IL 60606

Grocery Manufacturers of America, Inc.
1010 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC 20007

MILITARY INTEREST:

Military Coordinating Activity:

Army - GL

Review Activities:

Army - MD
Navy - MS, MC
DP - SS

Civil Agency Coordinating Activities:

DOJ - BOP
DOT - CG
HHS - FDA, NIH
USDA - FQA
VA - OSS

Preparing Activity:

Army - GL

