

US FOODS® UNPRONOUNCEABLES LIST®

Not all ingredients are created equal. Those ingredients listed below make up what we call the US Foods® Unpronounceables List®. Our entire line of Metro Deli®, Rykoff Sexton®, Chef's Line® and Stock Yards®* products will be produced with clean-label profiles, without any ingredients found on the Unpronounceables List.**

*Does not include products marketed and sold by third-party licensees.

**Processing aids and potential cross-contact during production are not in scope for this program.

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Ace-K	Mechanically separated meat
Ammonium chloride	Methyl silicon
Artificial color (certified FD&C colors)	Methylparaben
Artificial flavor	Microparticulated whey protein-derived fat substitute
Aspartame	Monosodium glutamate (MSG) – added, not naturally occurring
Autolyzed yeast extract	Natamycin
Azodicarbonamide	Nitrates and nitrites – added, not naturally occurring
Benzoyl peroxide	Oxystearin
BHA	Parabens
BHT	Polydextrose
Bleached flour	Polysorbate 20, 40, 50, 60, 65 and 80
Bromated flour	Potassium benzoate
Brominated vegetable oil (BVO)	Potassium bisulfite
Calcium bromate	Potassium bromate
Calcium disodium EDTA	Potassium metabisulfite
Calcium peroxide	Potassium sorbate
Calcium propionate	Propyl gallate
Calcium saccharin	Propylene glycol
Calcium sorbate	Propylparaben
Calcium stearoyl-2-lactylate	Saccharin
Calcium sulfate	Silicon dioxide
Caprocaprylobehenin	Sodium benzoate
Carmine (cochineal extract)	Sodium bisulfite
FD&C colors	Sodium diacetate
Cyclamates	Sodium glutamate
Cystein	Sodium propionate
Datem	Sodium stearoyl-2-lactylate
Dimethylpolysiloxane	Sodium tripolyphosphate
Dioctyl sodium sulfosuccinate	Stannous chloride
Disodium calcium EDTA	Sucralose
Disodium dihydrogen EDTA	Sucroglycerides
Disodium guanylate (GMP)	Sucrose polyester
Disodium inosinate (IMP)	Added sulfites (except vinegar and wine)
EDTA	Tartrazine
Ethoxyquin	Tertiary butylhydroquinone (TBHQ)
Ethylene oxide	Tetrasodium EDTA
Hexa-, hepta- and octa-esters of sucrose	Titanium dioxide
High-fructose corn syrup (HFCS)	Vanillin
Hydrogenated oil	
Hydrolyzed vegetable protein	



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