USDA Food and Nutrition Administration
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains Ounce Equivalents in Child Nutrition Programs

Crediting Standards Based on **Grams of Creditable Grains**

Program operators have the option to choose the crediting method that fits their specific menu planning needs.

Food manufacturers/vendors must: 1. Provide the following information on company letterhead signed by an official company representative. 2. Use Exhibit A: Grain Requirements for Child Nutrition Programs (Exhibit A) in the "Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs" (FBG) to complete this form. 3. Provide a copy of the ingredient list from the product package.

Product Name: Pioneer Chocolate Brownie Mix Code No.: 94418

Manufacturer: C.H. Guenther Serving Size: 30g

I. Does the product meet the whole grain-rich* criteria? Yes _____ No X

* Whole grain-rich is the term designated by Food and Nutrition Administration to indicate that the grain content of a product is between 50 and 100 percent whole grain with any remaining grains being enriched.

II. Does the product contain noncreditable grains? Yes _____ No X **How many grams?** _____
(Products with more than 0.24 ounce equivalent (oz eq) or 3.99 grams (g) for Groups A–G or 6.99g for Groups H and I of noncreditable grains do not credit toward the grains requirement for school meals.)

III. Use Exhibit A to determine if the product fits into Groups A–G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains) or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). (Different methodologies are applied to calculate the grains contribution based on creditable grains. Groups A–G use the standard of 16g creditable grains per oz eq; Groups H and I use the standard of 28g creditable grains per oz eq or volume.)

Indicate which Exhibit A Group (A–I) the product belongs: G

DESCRIPTION OF CREDITABLE GRAIN INGREDIENT[1]	GRAMS OF CREDITABLE GRAIN INGREDIENT PER PORTION[2] A	GRAM STANDARD OF CREDITABLE GRAINS PER OZ EQ (16g or 28g)[3] B	CREDITABLE AMOUNT A ÷ B
Whole Wheat Flour		16	
Enriched Flour	6.94	16	.43
		Total	.43
		Total Creditable Amount[4]	.25

[1] Creditable grains vary by Program. See the FBG for specific Program requirements.
[2] (Serving size in grams) X (% of creditable grain in formula); raw dough weight may be used for serving size. Serving sizes other than grams must be converted to grams.
[3] Standard grams of creditable grains from the corresponding Group in Exhibit A.
[4] Total Creditable Amount must be rounded **down** to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do **not** round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased 1.05

Total creditable amount of product (per portion) .25 oz eq

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a 1.05 ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides .25 oz eq grains.

For school meals only: I further certify that noncreditable grains **are not** above 0.24 oz eq per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz eq or 3.99g for Groups A–G or 6.99g for Groups H and I of noncreditable grains do not credit toward the grains requirement for school meals.

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