



HALAL WATCH WORLD

THE GOLD STANDARD



DOCUMENT REGISTRATION REPORT

Fitch Ranch

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COMPANY BACKGROUND

Halal Watch World LLC is a halal certification limited liability corporation based in the state of New York, and has operated in the certification industry since 1990. HWW is an organization that stands upon the trust of the Muslim public, and believes that it is imperative that their trust never be jeopardized. We maintain standards to the highest degree of scrutiny and perform regular audits for the protection of our constituents.

Halal Watch World understands that halal certification is a communal obligation (فرض كفاية), meaning, at least one person of the community must uphold it. If no one takes up this responsibility, the entire community bears a burden of sin. Therefore, we must be extra diligent with this effort. We realize the seriousness of the matter and understand the dire consequences of not filling this duty to the fullest capacity. God explains this to us in the Holy Quran by His statement:

“And say not concerning that which your tongue says falsely: 'This is Halal and this is Haram,' so as to invent lies against Allah. Verily, those who invent lies against Allah will never prosper...A passing brief enjoyment (will be theirs), but they will have a painful torment.”

[Al Quran] 16:116-117

HWW ensures to the best of its ability a high level of authenticity is upheld. This allows them to gain the trust of the Muslim community, and garner strong relationships with companies who produce, process, and distribute halal products at all levels. By this, they are able to offer halal producing company's guidance and consultation on the direction of their processes and products, while ensuring that Islamic dietary standards are always maintained and monitored. Muslims can use this information in order to make well informed decisions about what they choose to eat.

Legal Filings: Halal Watch World holds registered trademark number 4728733, and Department of State (New York) number 4814343. Halal Watch World is also a registered halal certifying organization with The Department of Agriculture and Markets of New York State (See supporting documentation).

We begin in the name of God SWT



CERTIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS

There are 4 main factors taken into consideration when determining the halal status of a product:

Is the product/ingredient Halal Aslan (by default)?

If the product is Halal by default, then there will be no ingredient investigation conducted. An audit of the HPF (Halal Product Facility), facility related documents and product identification documentation will however, still be required.

Is the product/ingredient Halal certified via another organization?

If another organization certifies the product as Halal, then it is incumbent upon us to perform a *tahqeeq* (verification) certification of the establishment. We must be able to ascertain that the certifying body is competent and capable of determining the status of such products. In the event that we are unable to gain this information, our organization must inspect the location of production before certifying.

What is the Risk Assessment of the Facility?

Each HPF (Halal Product Facility) must be assessed and assigned an appropriate level of risk. Each facility is graded according to assessed risk. As risk increases, guidelines, restrictions, and measures become more stringent. Risk is determined according to the products present in the facility, product and process management, and the equipment utilized for processing. Any product/s made with or derived from the items mentioned below would be considered Haram:

1. Human derived ingredients
2. Pork
3. Donkey (excluding the Onager)
4. Animals with fangs or talons (Carnivorous)
(Excluding Hyena and Fox according to school of thought)
5. Animals not slaughtered according to Islamic ritual rites
6. Carrion
7. All forms of filth (Najis) i.e. Urine, Excrement, Blood, Pus, Vomit, etc
8. Insects (other than locusts)
9. Animals fed with more than 50% of any of the above without being fed on a pure diet for a stipulated number of days (The Jallaalah)
10. Any intoxicants
11. Anything toxic or harmful to the body (such as cigarettes)
12. Anything processed, made, produced, manufactured, and/or stored using utensils, equipment, and/or machinery in contact with

any of the above that have not been cleansed according to standards which remove contaminants.

HiRF: High Risk Facility

Any facility that utilizes item/s listed above or a derivative thereof within the HPF and processes both halal and haram products using indifferent tools, machinery, or utensils. Thus, HiRF's by nature involve contaminants in some way in its processing.

MeRF: Medium Risk Facility

Any facility that processes both halal and haram products using segregated tools, machinery, or utensils to the exclusion of items listed above. Facilities that process any of these items, even if segregation methods are employed, are to be deemed HiRF's.

LoRF: Low Risk Facility

Any facility that does not process haram products on or inside of the premises.

As mentioned earlier, in relation to each risk level there are guidelines, restrictions and measures in place for the avoidance of contamination. Before any facility or any product made in said facility can be considered Halal suitable or certified Halal, these guidelines will have to be strictly adhered to.

Regarding contamination, products cannot be cooked upon or within the same utensils without proper cleansing. This means that any liquid substance that interacts with non-halal products becomes contaminated. This includes oil, and other wet cooking surfaces. Thus, if a vat of oil is used to cook non-halal products (which is considered as filth), it cannot be used to cook Halal products without contaminating it.

Are there any contents in the product that contain impermissible ingredients?

We refer to the list of impermissible consumables on the previous pages. If the product under audit is found to contain any of the ingredients on the ban list, these products cannot be considered as halal, unless said ingredients are replaced with halal suitable alternatives.

Client Details: Fitch Ranch

FACILITY PROFILE

Fitch Ranch Artisan Meat Co., family-owned and operated is located primarily on the Western Slope of Colorado. It all started in 2011 on a small farm with a vegetable garden, a handful of cows & sheep, as well as free-range chickens, ducks, and turkeys -Fitch Ranch Artisan Meat Co. has grown to now ranch more than 20,000 acres with several hundred head of Black Angus cattle as well as owning and operating a USDA Inspected meat processing plant - recently licensed to process for Certified Angus Beef.

Client Details	
GENERAL INFORMATION	
Total Number of Products:	5
Total Number of Ingredients:	10
SUPPLIER OVERVIEW	
Supplier 1:	Nebraska Beef
Supplier 2:	Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product Name	HWW Product ID
PEPPERCORN BEEF JERKY	MR400_RF2521
MOUNTAIN TERIYAKI BEEF JERKY	MR400_RF2522
HILLBILLY SMOKE BEEF JERKY	MR400_RF2523
HATCH GREEN CHILE BEEF JERKY	MR400_RF2524
TEX-MEX BEEF JERKY	MR400_RF2525

PRODUCT PROFILE

PEPPERCORN BEEF JERKY

PEPPERCORN BEEF JERKY (MR400_RF2521)

Beef Jerky INGREDIENTS: Beef, Black Pepper, Salt, Spices (Including Mustard Seed), Sugar, Garlic Powder, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3.

INGREDIENTS:

- INGREDIENT 14218 | Beef (Nebraska Beef)
- INGREDIENT 14219 | Black Pepper, Salt, Spices (Including Mustard Seed), Sugar, Garlic Powder, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. (Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD)

PRODUCT PROFILE

MOUNTAIN TERIYAKI BEEF JERKY

MOUNTAIN TERIYAKI BEEF JERKY (MR400_RF2522)

Beef Jerky INGREDIENTS: Beef, Spices [Including Salt, Dehydrated Soy Sauce (Soy Sauce [Wheat, Soybeans, Salt], Maltodextrin, Salt), Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel Color), Spices, Fructose, Garlic Powder, Citric Acid], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. Contains: Soy, Wheat

INGREDIENTS:

- INGREDIENT 14217 | Beef (Nebraska Beef)
- INGREDIENT 14220 | Spices [Including Salt, Dehydrated Soy Sauce (Soy Sauce [Wheat, Soybeans, Salt], Maltodextrin, Salt), Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel Color), Spices, Fructose, Garlic Powder, Citric Acid], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. (Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD)

PRODUCT PROFILE

HILLBILLY SMOKE BEEF JERKY

HILLBILLY SMOKE BEEF JERKY (MR400_RF2523)

Beef Jerky INGREDIENTS: Beef, Spices [Including Sugar, Salt, Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel Color), Monosodium Glutamate, Maltodextrin, Spices, Dehydrated Garlic, Oleoresin of Paprika], Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. Contains: Soy.

INGREDIENTS:

- INGREDIENT 14215 | Beef (Nebraska Beef)
- INGREDIENT 14216 | Spices [Including Sugar, Salt, Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel Color), Monosodium Glutamate, Maltodextrin, Spices, Dehydrated Garlic, Oleoresin of Paprika], Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. Contains: Soy. (Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD)

PRODUCT PROFILE

HATCH GREEN CHILE BEEF JERKY

HATCH GREEN CHILE BEEF JERKY (MR400_RF2524)

Beef Jerky INGREDIENTS: Beef, Salt, Dehydrated Vegetables (Hatch Green Chili, Green Bell Pepper, Jalapeno, Onion, Garlic), Sugar, Spices, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3, other spices

INGREDIENTS:

- INGREDIENT 14213 | Beef (Nebraska Beef)
- INGREDIENT 14214 | Salt, Dehydrated Vegetables (Hatch Green Chili, Green Bell Pepper, Jalapeno, Onion, Garlic), Sugar, Spices, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3, other spices (Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD)

PRODUCT PROFILE

TEX-MEX BEEF JERKY

TEX-MEX BEEF JERKY (MR400_RF2525)

Beef Jerky INGREDIENTS: Beef, Spices [Including Salt, Spices, Dextrose, Garlic Powder, Paprika, Sugar, Grill Flavor Powder (Tapioca Dextrin, Salt, Grill Flavor [from Sunflower Oil], Smoke Flavor), Natural Spice Extractive], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3.

INGREDIENTS:

- INGREDIENT 14211 | Beef (Nebraska Beef)

- INGREDIENT 14212 | Spices [Including Salt, Spices, Dextrose, Garlic Powder, Paprika, Sugar, Grill Flavor Powder (Tapioca Dextrin, Salt, Grill Flavor [from Sunflower Oil], Smoke Flavor), Natural Spice Extractive], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. (Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD)

CLEANING METHOD

Description: A. All equipment will be disassembled, cleaned, and sanitized before starting production, with additional steps for Halal processing to ensure no cross-contamination from nonHalal residues.

1. Establishment sanitary procedure for cleaning and sanitizing equipment.
2. All equipment will have product debris removed.
3. Equipment will be rinsed with water to remove remaining debris.
4. An approved cleaner will be applied to equipment and properly cleaned. For Halal processing, cleaners must be verified as free from alcohol or animal-derived ingredients prohibited under Islamic law (e.g., no pork-derived enzymes).
5. Equipment will be sanitized with approved sanitizer (e.g., chlorine-based or other USDA-approved options verified as Halal-compliant) and rinsed with potable water.e. The equipment is reassembled.
6. Halal-Specific Procedure: If equipment was previously used for non-Halal products (e.g., pork or non-ritually slaughtered meat), perform a triple-clean cycle: clean, rinse, sanitize, and verify via organoleptic inspection to confirm absence of contaminants.

7. Implementing, Monitoring and Recordkeeping

The owner/Plant manager or designee perform daily organoleptic sanitation inspection after preoperational equipment cleaning and sanitizing. The results will be recorded on a Preoperational sanitation form. If found to be acceptable, the appropriate line will be checked. If corrective actions are needed, such actions will....

Frequency: Pre-Operational.

VENDOR ASSESSMENT

Vendor	Raw Material	Pass/Fail	Status Recommendation	Ingredient Source
Nebraska Beef	Beef	Pass	HALAL_SHARṬAN	ANIMAL
Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD	Spices [Including Salt, Spices, Dextrose, Garlic Powder, Paprika, Sugar, Grill Flavor Powder (Tapioca Dextrin, Salt, Grill Flavor [from Sunflower Oil], Smoke Flavor), Natural Spice Extractive], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3.	Pass	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT
Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD	Salt, Dehydrated Vegetables (Hatch Green Chili, Green Bell Pepper, Jalapeno, Onion, Garlic), Sugar, Spices, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3, other spices	Pass	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT
Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD	Spices [Including Sugar, Salt, Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel Color), Monosodium Glutamate, Maltodextrin, Spices, Dehydrated Garlic, Oleoresin of Paprika], Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3. Contains: Soy.	Pass	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT
Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD	Black Pepper, Salt, Spices (Including Mustard Seed), Sugar, Garlic Powder, Water, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3.	Pass	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT
Excalibur Seasoning Company, LTD	Spices [Including Salt, Dehydrated Soy Sauce (Soy Sauce [Wheat, Soybeans, Salt], Maltodextrin, Salt), Hydrolyzed Soy Protein (Contains Salt, Caramel	Pass	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT

	Color), Spices, Fructose, Garlic Powder, Citric Acid], Water, Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3.			
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TESTING METHOD

The following tests are performed for the production facility: ATP Swab Testing.

DOCUMENTATION

Category	Results
Legal Business Documents	PASS
Proof Of Purchase	PASS
Pest Control	PASS
Water Report	PASS
Traceability Plan	PASS
Flowchart of Processing	PASS
SSOP (Standard Sanitation Operating Procedure)	PASS
Recall Plan	PASS

CONCLUSION

Client was cooperative and compliant with all relevant documentation requests. All documentation has been analysed during this review. Fitch Ranch's product/s are deemed to be Halal compliant and suitable.

Based upon this information, the review team hereby recommends Halal certification for all products mentioned in this report.

My signature below is a testimony that the information provided herein is factual to the best of my knowledge.

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