



# HALAL WATCH WORLD

THE **GOLD** STANDARD



## DOCUMENT REGISTRATION REPORT

Koster Keunen Inc.

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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: Koster Keunen Inc.

## FACILITY PROFILE

Founded in 1852, Koster Keunen is the world's leader in natural waxes and wax technology. We specialize in the development, processing, and manufacturing of quality ingredients at each of our production sites. Our technological strengths include extensive knowledge of waxes, emulsifiers, esters and their derivatives. We dedicate ourselves to innovation, ethical sourcing, transparency and sustainability.

<b>Client Details</b>	
<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	
Total Number of Products:	1
Total Number of Ingredients:	1
<b>SUPPLIER OVERVIEW</b>	

## PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Product Name</b>	<b>HWW Product ID</b>
224 Rice Bran Wax	MR193_PC1343

## **PRODUCT PROFILE**

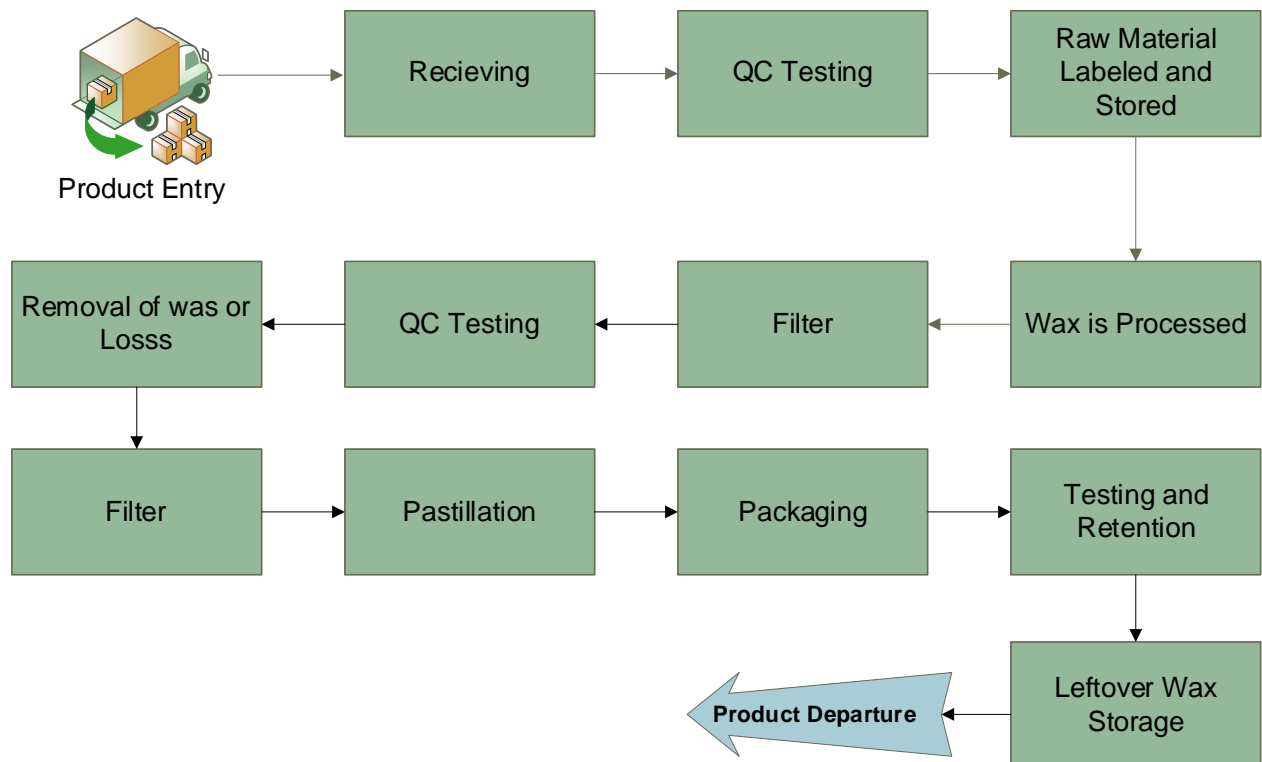
### **224 Rice Bran Wax**

#### **224 Rice Bran Wax (MR193\_PC1343)**

Rice Bran Wax is obtained from the winterization of food grade rice bran oil. Rice Bran Wax is comprised of 100% Oryza Sativa (Rice) Bran Wax that is sourced from India and can be considered vegan.

- **INGREDIENTS:**
  - INGREDIENT 5262 | Oryza Sativa (Rice) Bran Wax (Cinobee)

## PROCESSING OVERVIEW



## CLEANING METHOD

### Description:

Cleaning Dirty or Soiled Process Pipes, Hoses and/or Fittings

1. Visually check pipes, hoses or fittings to determine the amount of cleaning required.
2. If pipes/fittings/hoses are to be used immediately, heating the pipes/fittings with a heat gun or torch can be used to melt any visible wax.
3. If pipes/fittings/hoses will not immediately be used, they should be hung vertically in a heat box to allow any residual wax to drain out of the bottom at a temperature setting greater than the melt point of visible wax.
4. If wax is unknown, 180-200 °F should be enough to clean most wax.
5. Pipes/fittings/hoses may be left in a heat box overnight to allow sufficient time for all the wax to melt and drain.

Storage of Pipes, Hoses and/or Fittings

1. All cleaned pipes, hoses and/or fittings should be immediately removed from the heat box once all visible wax has been removed.
2. A clean cap or bag should be used to cover all exposed ends prior to storage to avoid contaminating the cleaned item.
3. All cleaned items should be hung from a rack, laid to rest on a hose rack or placed in a clean drum until ready for use.

Ready for Use

4. All cleaned pipes, hoses and/or fittings should be purged with 1-2 Kgs. of approved material to ensure pipe, hose and/or fitting is clean and ready for use.
5. When finished using the pipe, hose and/or fitting, they should be immediately cleaned and prepped for the next run of material.

Frequency: Daily/As Needed.

## **VENDOR ASSESSMENT**

Vendor	Raw Material	Pass/Fail	Status Recommendation	Ingredient Source
Cinobee	Oryza Sativa (Rice) Bran Wax	Yes	HALAL_ASLAN	PLANT

## **TESTING METHOD**

The following tests are performed for the production facility: N/A.

## **DOCUMENTATION**

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

# CONCLUSION

Client was cooperative and compliant with all relevant documentation requests. All documentation has been analysed during this review. Koster Keunen Inc.'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.

## **REVIEW AGENT:**



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## **APPROVED BY:**



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**Date: January 10, 2024**