



# HALAL WATCH WORLD

THE **GOLD** STANDARD



## DOCUMENT SUBMISSION REPORT

Italgrani USA

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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:

## **1. 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.

## **2. 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.

## **3. 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.

**4. 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: Italgrani USA

## FACILITY PROFILE

Italgrani USA is the largest semolina and durum flour miller in North America, supported by award-winning grain elevator services in North Dakota and full-service grain merchandising in Minnesota.

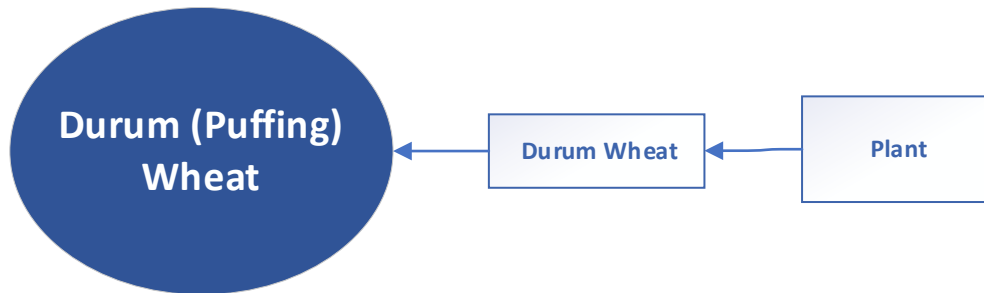
<b>Client Details</b>	
<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	
Product Type:	Refined Foods
Total Number of Products:	2
Total Number of Ingredients:	9
<b>SUPPLIER OVERVIEW</b>	
Supplier1:	U.S. Durum Milling, Inc
Supplier24:	REPCO

## PRODUCT INFORMATION

Durum (Puffing) Wheat☒	MR203_RM688
Durum Patent Flour, Enriched	MR203_RM687
Durum Patent Flour, Unenriched	MR203_RM686
Durum Extra Fancy Patent Flour, Unenriched	MR203_RM685
Durum Extra Fancy Patent Flour, Enriched	MR203_RM684
Durum Semolina, Enriched	MR203_RM683
Durum Semolina, Unenriched	MR203_RM682

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum (Puffing) Wheat



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Whole Durum Wheat.

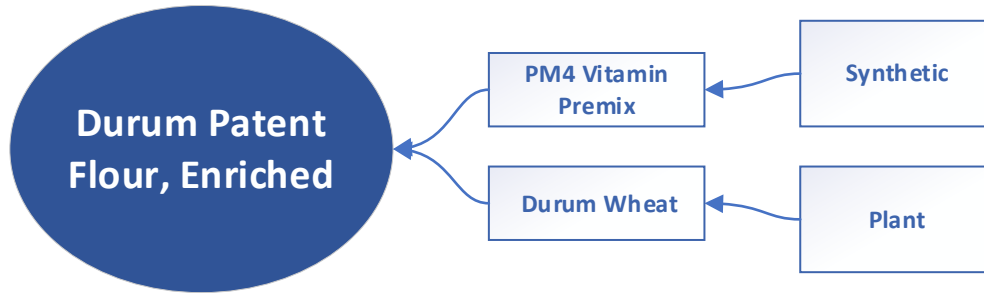
#### Ingredient Status

Durum Wheat: – **Halal** (Aslan) [Durum wheat is a variety of spring wheat that's typically ground into semolina and used to make pasta. It can also be ground into a finer flour and used to make bread or pizza dough.]

Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Patent Flour, Enriched



### Durum Patent Flour, Enriched

Fine Flour w/ Enrichment.

#### Ingredient Status

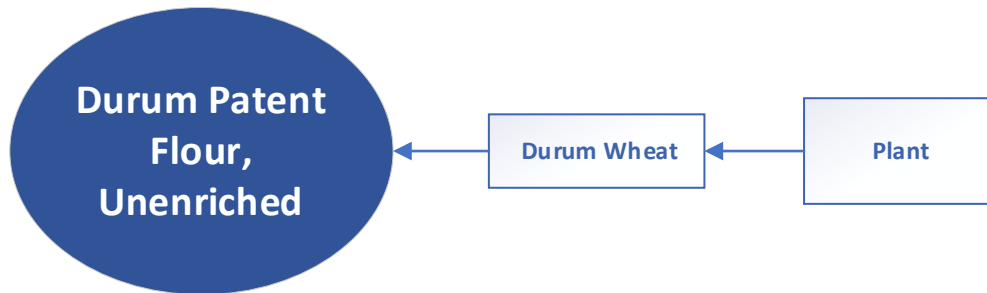
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PM4 Vitamin Premix: – **Halal** (Aslan) [Vitamins help your body grow and work the way it should. There are 13 essential vitamins — vitamins A, C, D, E, K, and the B vitamins (thiamine, riboflavin, niacin, pantothenic acid, biotin, B6, B12, and folate). Vitamins have different jobs to help keep the body working properly.]

Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Patent Flour, Unenriched



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Fine Flour.

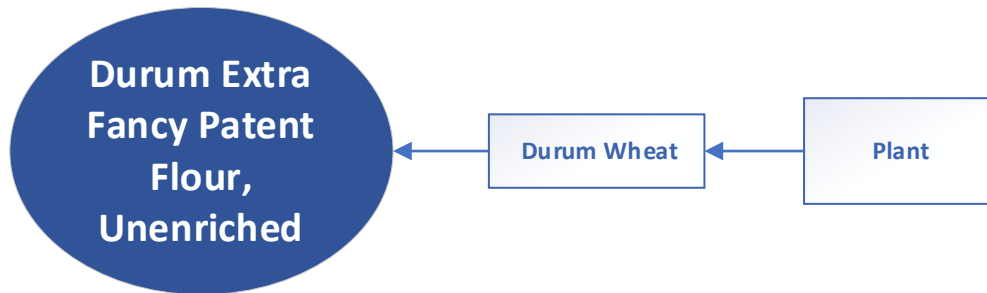
#### Ingredient Status

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Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Extra Fancy Patent Flour, Unenriched



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Fine Flour.

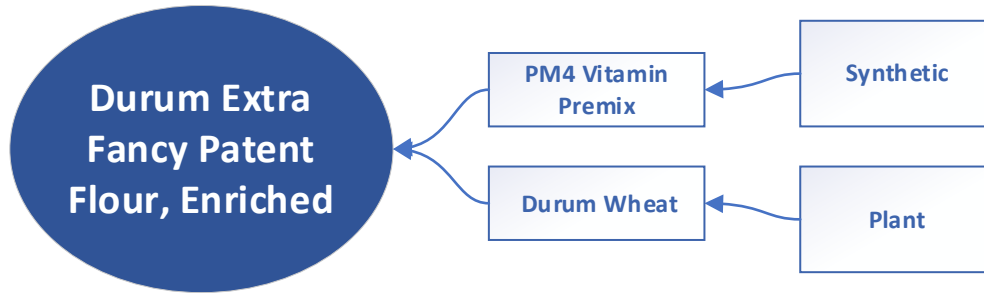
#### Ingredient Status

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Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Extra Fancy Patent Flour, Enriched



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Fine Flour w/ Enrichment.

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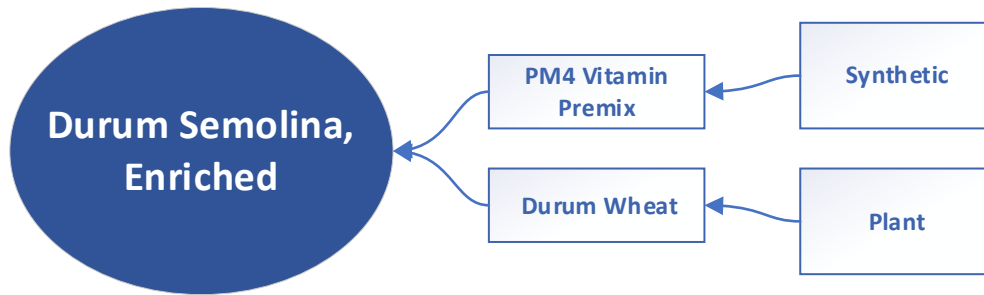
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Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Semolina, Enriched



### Durum Semolina, Enriched

Coarse Flour w/ Enrichment.

#### Ingredient Status

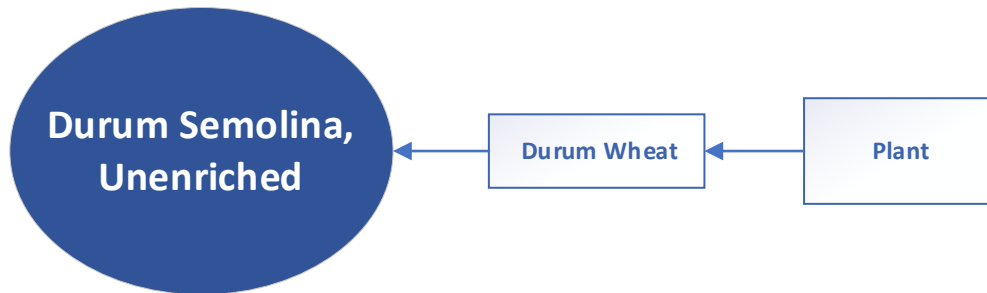
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Concerns – None.

## PRODUCT PROFILE

### Durum Semolina, Unenriched



### Durum Semolina, Unenriched

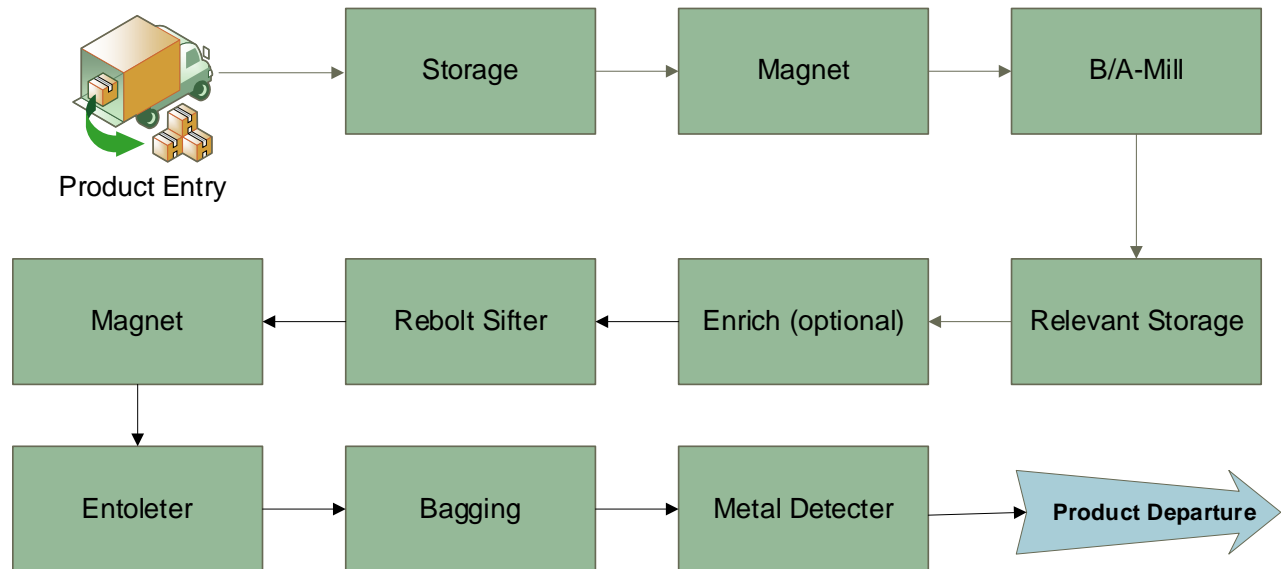
Coarse Flour.

#### Ingredient Status

Durum Wheat: – **Halal** (Aslan) [Durum wheat is a variety of spring wheat that's typically ground into semolina and used to make pasta. It can also be ground into a finer flour and used to make bread or pizza dough.]

Concerns – None.

## PROCESSING OVERVIEW



## **CLEANING METHOD**

### Description:

Mill Floor Cleaning: Cleaning of each floor in the mill is conducted on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis. A Master Sanitation Schedule is in place for each floor to ensure that all areas and equipment surfaces are maintained in a sanitary manner at all times. This schedule is followed by dedicated mill sweepers and verified by supervisors. It is also counter-verified by sanitation personnel on a weekly basis.

Mill Monthly Inspection Reports: In addition to the Master Sanitation Schedule, mill sanitation personnel conduct a monthly inspection/audit to identify any areas which require additional attention. This report is prepared and submitted to the personnel responsible for each area of the mill for follow up. Once the work is completed, the report is returned to QC for verification.

Mill Fogging: Mill is equipped with an automatic fogging system that is capable of shooting

Vapona gas through built in nozzles that are installed throughout the mill. During the summer

(warmer) months of the year, mill is fogged with Vapona gas to control the infestation issues.

All fogging applications are performed by internal personnel who are licensed pesticide applicators.

Mill Fumigation: In addition to mill fogging, the entire facility undergoes general fumigation

with Methyl Bromide once or twice each year. The fumigation itself is performed by licensed

applicators from Presto-X Company.

Frequency: Daily/As Needed.

## PRODUCT & SUPPLIER ASSESSMENT

### Wheat Field (U.S. Durum Milling, Inc.)

Raw Material	Traceability	Statement/Certificate	Pass/Fail	Pass/Fail	Status Recommendation	Ingredient Source
Durum Wheat	Yes	Statement	Pass	Pass	Halal Aslan	Plant

### REPCO

Raw Material	Traceability	Statement/Certificate	Pass/Fail	Pass/Fail	Status Recommendation	Ingredient Source
PM4 Vitamin Premix	Yes	Statement	Pass	Pass	Halal Aslan	Synthetic

## TESTING METHOD

The following tests are performed for the production facility: None.

## **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. Italgrani USA'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:**



Tameem Allie

**Technical Review Analyst**

## **APPROVED BY:**



Sh. Darweesh Muhammad

**Certification Committee  
Chair**

**Date: Tuesday, 25 April 2023**