

CPG Sec. 525.330 Curry Powder - Adulteration by Insect and Rodent Filth

REGULATORY ACTION GUIDANCE:

The following represents the criteria for direct reference seizure *requests to the Office of Human and Animal Food Operations (OHAFO) in consultation with the Office of Enforcement and Import Operations (OEIO) and CFSAN, and for direct citation by the appropriate Field Office within the Human and Animal Food Program*:

1. Insect Filth:

The curry powder contains an average of 100 or more insect fragments per 25 grams;

Or

2. Rodent Filth:

The curry powder contains an average of 4 or more rodent hairs per 25 grams.

REMARKS:

Since the majority of spices are imported, determine that the lot in question has not been previously examined and released by FDA as an import. If the lot has been examined and released previously, submit all available facts to CFSAN/Office of *Compliance*/Division of Enforcement (HFS-605) for seizure consideration in the usual manner.

SPECIMEN CHARGE:

Article curry powder adulterated (when introduced into and while in interstate commerce), within meaning of 21 U.S.C. 342(a)(3), in that it consists wholly or in part of a filthy substance by reason of presence therein of (insects), (insect webbing), (insect excreta), and (rodent hairs).

Materials between asterisks are new or revised

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