

READY-TO-USE THERAPEUTIC FOOD (RUTF) PASTE: NOVEL (U239977)

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Overview

This document is a specification sheet for Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF), containing a combination of legumes, seeds, and cereals with added amino acids in place of dairy or animal sourced protein.. RUTF paste is Ready-to-Eat, directly from the packet without prior cooking, mixing or dilution. This product is intended for use under medical supervision.

The document outlines the instructions for product use, target population, technical specifications including specific nutrition/vitamin/mineral composition per unit, the international standards, processing methods, food safety and risk assessment at manufacturing premises, hygiene and microbiology requirements, analytical requirements, and specific packaging and labeling details. Information regarding proper product storage, shelf life and stability are also included. Relevant Codex documents are referenced throughout the specification sheet.

If the RUTF manufacturer uses a mineral and vitamin premix(es), they must source it from a specialized premix manufacturer and they must validate them to ensure overall quality.

Overall, this document can be used by suppliers and manufacturers to ensure their product meets the indicated specifications for RUTF Paste - Novel.

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