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# **General Product Specifications**

## Dear customer,

STX Beef Company, LLC produces boneless and bone-in beef products, offal, beef trimmings, and ground beef. All products must meet either the customer-specific requirements or STX Beef Company's general product specifications.

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## 1.1 Manufacturing

All STX Beef Company products shall be manufactured and packaged in accordance with current Good Manufacturing Practices and conform with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. The product shall in no way be adulterated or misbranded. The product will be USDA Prime, Choice, Select, or No-Roll grades. Products will be packed under USDA inspection, under a validated HACCP plan, and conform with any applicable parts of the Code of Federal Regulations, Titles 9 and 7.

### 1.2 Workmanship and Organoleptic Properties

All products shall exhibit good workmanship. Products shall be derived from fresh beef, free of "off" colors or odor of any kind.

### 1.3 Packaging and Labeling

The product shall be packed in approved packaging and shall be appropriately sealed to ensure product safety and quality for the recommended shelf life. Product labels shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. The labels shall correctly identify the product, include lot identification, and be applied and positioned correctly. The package and/or label must include the country of origin. The fabrication date must be clearly marked on the package or label.

## 1.4 Lot Identification

Each individual box/container shall bear a legible lot identification number for traceability.

#### 1.5 Temperature

All products shall be no more than 45°F at the time of shipping to the customer.

## 1.6 Microbiological

All tests performed and requested by customers will be received and meet standards before the product is released to the customer.



1.7 Shelf Life as maintained at proper refrigeration storage temperatures at or below 35°F Boneless Cyrovac Box – 60 days
Bone in Cyrovac Box – 45 days
Combos- 5 days
Ground Beef- 28 days

#### 1.8 Chemicals

All chemicals added to the product as a processing aid or as an anti-microbial must be approved for its specific use and within limits set forth by USDA and/or FDA

1.9 Customer Complaints or Grievances:

Any alleged nonconformity, including any off-condition product, shortages or any discrepancy of product specification, must be reported to the STX Beef Sales department within 30 Days of receipt of Goods. Any grievance must include the purchase order number, description of the grievance, pictures of the grievance, and pictures of box end labels of the affected product or cases.

Thank you,

David Jacobs,

Quality Assurance Manager

STX BEEF COMPANY, LLC