

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION · LIFEPAK MAP BAG

Cherry

Prunus cerasus



PRODUCT DETAILS

Product	Lifepack MA-MH (Modified Atmosphere / Modified Humidity) cherry MAP bag. MAP maintains high humidity and prolongs senescence, thus keeping the product fresher and firmer for longer.
Produce type	Non-climacteric stone fruit; does not ripen after harvest
Ethylene	Production Very low · sensitivity Low (UC Davis Postharvest)
Suitable for	Organic & conventional cherry (inert film — no organic certification needed)
Background	Cherry, unlike all other stone fruit, is non-climacteric and does not ripen after harvest, so it is picked at optimum ripeness: firm with full colouration. Due to its low thermal mass it is very perishable if not cooled and packed immediately. Fresh, green pedicels (stems) are critical for retail value.

PERFORMANCE & BENEFITS

Shelf life – cold chain	Up to 60 days at 0 °C (32 °F)
Shelf life – ambient	5–7 days at 10 °C (50 °F)
Recommended atmosphere	O ₂ 4–10% · CO ₂ 10–15% · RH 90–95% General postharvest guidelines (UC Davis Postharvest; Singla et al., 2022); vary by cultivar, maturity & region.
LIFEPAK MAP BAG KEY BENEFITS	• Extended shelf life for longer storage and distribution • Reduced weight loss and stem discolouration • Inhibition of pitting and discoloured flesh • Preservation of colour • Prolonging senescence • Maintained freshness and firmness • Inhibition of storage mould and rots • Higher profitability due to reduced wastage

MATERIAL, FILM & COMPLIANCE

Film structure	Coextruded multilayer film — polyamide (Nylon-6, CAS 25038-54-4) and polyethylene / copolymer (CAS 9002-88-4)
Thickness / WVTR	22 microns · water vapour transmission (WVTR) 7–9 g/m ² /day
Properties	Transparent film; melting point 104–115 °C; density 0.918–0.923 g/cm ³ ; insoluble in water; stable
Food-contact compliance	FDA 21 CFR 177.1500 & 177.1520; EU 10/2011 and migration limits (EU) 1183/2012
Food safety	Manufactured under FSSC 22000 / ISO 22000 — current certificates on request

AVAILABLE SIZES

Formats Lifepack MAP bags available to fit standard 2, 5 and 10 kg cartons. Custom sizes on request.

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