

# Kosher Consumer

Kosher Certification

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Beginning January 1, 2012 the **United Center** will be offering a glatt kosher food cart serving hot dogs, sausages, pretzels and bottled beverages at **Bulls** and **Blackhawks** games. The cart will be located on the Main Concourse outside Section 114 and will be under the strict supervision of the Chicago Rabbinical Council.

The latest **Slurpee** flavor is Sprite Snowball Blast which is kosher/pareve. It can be found on the cRc website at [http://www.crcweb.org/slurpee\\_list.php](http://www.crcweb.org/slurpee_list.php)

The following "grab and go" fruit / vegetable and cheese packs from **7 Eleven** under the '**Fresh to Go**' brand contain non-kosher cheese and were mistakenly labeled with a cRc: Apple Red, Green w/Cheese, Carrot, Celery w/Cheese, Red Grapes w/Cheese. Corrective measures are being taken.

**Irish Crème flavored Coffee** grounds produced by **Chicago Coffee Roastery**, Huntley, Illinois, was mistakenly produced with a dairy ingredient, and should be treated as kosher dairy (Cholov Stam). All product made after September 4th is kosher pareve.

**Starbucks** has a hot chocolate mix with a Kof K – D that has marshmallows in it and there is gelatin listed in the ingredients. The product is indeed certified kosher dairy by the Kof K and they use a kosher gelatin.

**5 Spoke Creamery**, Port Chester, NY is no longer under Kof-K Kosher Certification.

**President's Choice Bannock Topped Pie** sold in Canada has an OV but is not certified by the Vaad Hoer of St. Louis (OV).

A small amount of **Quaker Instant Oatmeal Weight Control Instant Oatmeal**, Cinnamon flavor and Banana Bread flavor, Quaker Foods & Snacks - Chicago IL were mistakenly labeled with an OU Symbol without the "D". These products are dairy and corrective measures were implemented.

**PANTRY BROWN GRAVY** Savory Mix distributed by Rite Aid mistakenly bears the OK symbol. This product is not certified by the OK. The product is being relabeled without a kosher symbol

The Star-K has informed the public that **Samuel Adams "Chocolate Bock" beer** is kosher, dairy, cholov stam.

**WOODPECKER Crème Brulee Mix** (a product of Cibo Vita – Saddle Brook, NJ) mistakenly bears the plain OK pareve symbol This product is actually dairy and should be labeled OK-D.

**365 brand Sesame Sticks and Sesame Trail Mix contain dairy** (Not Cholov Yisroel) ingredients but the dairy designation has been inadvertently omitted. These products have been sold at Whole Foods Markets. Consumers finding this product are asked to contact BC Kosher.

**Beech Nut Whole Wheat Pasta Parmesan** bears an OU-D symbol. This product is not certified by the OU

**Waiora Natural Cellular Defense** is not authorized to bear the AKC (Atlanta Kosher) kosher logo and is not under AKC kosher certification.

**HOWIE'S KOSHER** Dark Chocolate Almonds distributed by Fairway Markets (New York) mistakenly bears the OK pareve symbol. This product is actually dairy & should be labeled OK-D.

The Vaad of Detroit has informed the public (and has been confirmed by the OU) that **GATORADE** "FIERCE GRAPE" THIRST QUENCHER liquid drink now in stores is Kosher even if the label does not bear the OU. Newer labels do bear the OU. Gatorade Prime Pre-Game Fuel drink, Gatorade Recovery Post-Game beverage, and Gatorade powders are not certified

**Barilla Montanara**, Barilla America, Inc., Bannockburn, IL, has been reformulated and will now once again bear an OU. Only the product bearing the OU symbol should be used.

**White Toque Authentic French Blinis** bear an unauthorized OU, are not certified by the Orthodox Union and contain dairy ingredients. It was sold in Costco stores in California. The product is being withdrawn from the marketplace.

Large bottle of **Heinz Pure Apple Cider Vinegar** has a COR. The small bottle doesn't because it's made on a line with non kosher wine vinegar.

**FINE LINE SELECT brand Grade A IQF Chopped Spinach**, bears an unauthorized Star-K symbol. This product is not certified by Star-K. Corrective measures are being taken.

**BBQ KING barbecue peanuts**, manufactured by XDB Foods, Co. Ltd., China, and distributed in Israel by Elron Trade Y.R. Ltd., bears an unauthorized Star-K. This product is not certified by Star-K.

**Candy Jackpot/Kidsmania Bubble Gum** (in plastic slot machine), Kidsmania/Candy Novelties El Monte CA; This bubble gum machine bears an unauthorized OU sticker, stating Concord Confection distributed by Quality Frozen Foods. This product is not a Concord Confection product and is not certified by the Orthodox Union.

**Country Road Bulgarian Sheep Milk Feta Cheese**, Gourmet Food Imports, Lafayette CA is cheese is not certified by the Orthodox Union and bears an unauthorized OU. Corrective actions are being implemented.

**VAN DIERMAN MASTERBAKERS** (The Netherlands) Is advertising their baked goods as being certified by OK Kosher Certification. OK Kosher Certification does not certify any Van Dierman Masterbakers products.

**Mr. Garden Norwegian Style and Scottish Style Lox Haven Smoked Salmon** Distributed by VI Trading Group Inc. (Highland Mills, NY) bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label.

**Mountain Spring Smoke House Gold Standard Smoked Atlantic Salmon** Distributed by New Spring International Inc. (Jacksonville, FL) bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label.

**Bean & Body Canned Coffee Drinks:** Some of the cans are labeled with a regular OU, instead of an OU-D. The products are clearly dairy as listed on the ingredient panel. Corrective action is being taken.

The Scroll-K would like to inform the public that many **Carmel Wines** are not mevushal. The same type of wine may have different versions and vintages, of which some are mevushal and some are not

mevushal. Carmel Young-Moscato and Carmel Young-Camrigano wines' 2009 vintage states "Not Mevushal", but their 2010 vintage states "Mevushal". Please check the label of each individual bottle for its correct status.

**Saratoga Chips For Goodness Shakes Seasonings** distributed by Saratoga Specialties Company (Saratoga Springs, NY) bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label.

**DELICES DE LA FORET ALEGRIA MIX & NUTRIVRAC TROPICAL FRUIT** Distributed by Delices de la Foret (Quebec, Canada) bear an unauthorized OK symbol on the label. OK Kosher Certification does not certify any Delices de la Foret products. Corrective measures are being taken.

**DAVID'S BAGELS brand Dark Chocolate Non-Pareils**, bears an unauthorized Star-K symbol. The product is not certified by Star-K. Corrective measures are being taken.

**GOLAN DRIED FRUIT**, 1496 Coney Island Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11230 - The Star-K / Star-D Certification on Golan Dried Fruit has been terminated. Any Star-K / Star-D symbol on any repack Golan dried fruit, confectionery items, candy, etc. is unauthorized.

**Two For The Road Ju Jubes**, 80 g packet bears an unauthorized COR 564. Corrective measures have been taken. This product has been recalled by the manufacturer. Kindly contact the COR office if you should find this product.

**Glory Foods Black Eyed Peas** (canned), bears an unauthorized Star-K symbol. The product is not certified by Star-K and contains dairy ingredients. Corrective measures are being taken.

Go Bananas mix bag and Cherish My Chocolate mix bag from **Bready North America**, Columbia, MO dairy ingredients, as indicated in the ingredient panel, but are mistakenly labeled with a plain OU. However, Tuscan Love Affair mix bag and Cha Cha Cheddar mix bag are not certified kosher and the OU symbol on the packaging is unauthorized.

The Vaad of St. Louis (OV) logo inadvertently appears on a variety of **Ready Pac prewashed salads** such as the Santa Barbara and Spring Mix. This was printed in error as these products are not certified by the OV due to concerns of insect infestation. Triple washed iceberg and coleslaw varieties continue to be acceptable.

**BJ's Wholesale Club** is selling various Wellsley Farms cakes bearing the OK kosher symbol. Wellsley Farms Carrot Crème Cheese Cake and Wellsley Farms Triple Chocolate Cake are certified kosher, dairy when bearing the OK-D symbol All other Wellsley Farms cakes are not certified by OK Kosher Certification.

A limited amount of baked goods produced by **Beantown Bakery** and distributed by Garber Bros., Inc. (Stoughton, MA) were mistakenly labeled as OK. They are Kosher and Dairy but the "D" designation was missing. Corrective measures have been taken.

**Fine Line IQF Broccoli Cuts** (Product of Guatemala) distributed by Paris Foods (Trappe, MD) bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label. This product is not certified by OK Kosher Certification.

**Olive Oil distributed by B.M.A. USA, Inc.** Glendale, CA bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label. This product is not certified by OK Kosher Certification.

**Wood Grilled Pizza Crust from The Pizza Gourmet**, Providence RI bears an unauthorized OU. The company has removed the OU from the packaging, but some products with the unauthorized OU may still be in some stores.

OK Kosher Certification no longer certifies any Olive Oils distributed by **Ciuti International**, Rancho Cucamonga, CA. Any product bearing the OK kosher symbol is unauthorized. Kashrut.com reports that anything produced after October 2010 is unauthorized.

Some Earth's **Best Vegetable Turkey and Sweet Potato Chicken** jars of baby food from The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. bear an unauthorized OU and are not kosher. This mislabeling pertains only to products with Spanish labels, sold in Colombia, South America. The company is withdrawing this product from the marketplace

Opal S. Y. International is distributing **HEIRLOOM FARMS POMEGRANATE JUICE** (and possibly other products) bearing an unauthorized OK symbol on the label.

The following flavors of Snapple 11.5 cans made by **Dr. Pepper Snapple Group**, St. Louis, MO are now made on dairy equipment and are labeled OK-DE: Diet Lemon Tea, Green Apple Juice, Kiwi Strawberry, Lemon Tea, Mango Madness, Orange Mango, Peach Tea, Raspberry Tea. Please note that any Snapple cans of these flavors still on the market with labels bearing the OK symbol (not marked DE) were produced on pareve equipment.

The following products distributed by **NUTTY NATURALS** (Brooklyn, NY) have mistakenly been labeled with the OK-D symbol and are being recalled: Choco Almond, Choco Peanut, Choco Pretzel, Choco Raisin. These products are not certified by OK

**MOJOMILK** Chocolate Milk Mix distributed by Mojomilk (Sandy, Utah) bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label. This product is not certified by the OK.

Lolibar, LoliCrunch and Real Fruit manufactured by **Snack Healthy**, Inc., Juniper, FL bears an unauthorized OK symbol on the label. These products are not certified by OK.

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