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## **General Requirements For Bird Feed**

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## Foreword

Standardization Organization for GCC (GSO) is a regional Organization which consists of the National Standards Bodies of GCC member States. One of GSO main functions is to issue Gulf Standards /Technical regulation through specialized technical committees (TCs).

GSO through the technical program of committee TC No 5 " The Gulf Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Standards Products" has prepared this Standard . The Draft Standard has been prepared by (KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA )

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## General Requirements For Bird Feed

### 1. SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This standard is concerned with general requirements on cereals used as feeds for birds whether used in single, mixed or crushed form.

### 2. COMPLEMENTARY REFERENCES

- 2.1 GSO ISO 6322-1 “Storage of cereals and pulses -part1: general considerations in keeping cereals”.
- 2.2 GSO ISO 950 “Cerals-sampling (as grain)”.
- 2.3 GSO 382 “Maximum limits for pesticide residues in agricultural food products - Part 1”
- 2.4 GSO 383 “Maximum limits for pesticide resticide residues in agricultural food products part2.”.
- 2.5 GSO 988 “Limits of radioactivity levels permitted in foodstuff : part -1” .
- 2.6 GSO 841 “Maximum limits of omycotoxins permitted in foods and animal seeds- aflatoxins”.

### 3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Without prejudice to the provisions indicated in the ~~Guide to the Plants and Plant products forbidden from entry to Saudi Arabia, issued by the Ministry of Agriculture~~ and laws of Veterinary and Plant quarantine of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf and ~~the Feed Law (under issuing) of Saudi Food and Drug Authority~~, the following provisions shall be considered in the cereals used in bird feed as:

- 3.1 Bird’s feed shall be in its suitable form.
- 3.2 All feed materials used in bird’s feed shall comply to its specific Gulf Standards.
- 3.3 The product shall be free from harmful and strange materials.
- 3.4 Bird’s feed shall be free from seeds of Cannabis, Opium poppy, any narcotics seeds or other harmful seeds.
- 3.5 Pesticides residues shall not exceed the maximum permissible limits set by Gulf Standard mentioned in article (2/3 – 2/4).
- 3.6 Radionuclide shall not exceed the maximum permissible limits set by Gulf Standard mentioned in article (2/5).
- 3.7 Aflatoxins shall not exceed the maximum permissible limits set by Gulf Standard mentioned in article (2/6).

- 3.8 The selling of these products shall be limited to Stores that are licensed (approved).
- 3.9 The marketing of bird's feed shall be prohibited unless feed business operators display feed labeling.
- 3.10 Veterinary or medicinal feed additives in bird's feed shall only be used by permission from Saudi Food and Drug Authority.

#### **4. PACKAGING, TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE**

The following provisions for storage, transportation and packaging shall be considered:

- 4.1 Packaging:
- 4.1.1 Bird's feed shall be filled in suitable packages in order to maintain its natural characteristics and guarantee its safety.
- 4.1.2 Feed Packages shall provide necessary protection of feed against pests and contamination.
- 4.2 Transportation:
- 4.2.1 Transportation means shall provide appropriate protection of feed against Weather changes, infest with Pests and Rodents or contamination.
- 4.2.2 Bird's feed shall not be transported in vessels used in transporting pesticides, fungicides or any harmful or poisonous materials.
- 4.3 Storage:
- Birds' feed shall be stored according to Gulf standard mentioned in article (2/1).

#### **5. SAMPLING**

Samples shall be taken according to Gulf standard mentioned in article (2/2).

#### **6. TESTING METHODS**

Tests shall be carried out according to Gulf standard (ongoing approval process – Method of testing birds' feed).

#### **7. LABELING**

The following information shall be declared in Arabic text on the product label and shall not be tampered with.

- 7.1 Name of product: "Birds' feed"
- 7.2 Names of component cereals of the feed and its percentages.
- 7.3 All other additives in case of its use.

- 7.4 Dates of production and expiration.
- 7.5 Country of origin.
- 7.6 Species of bird consuming the feeds
- 7.7 Name and address of producer or packager.
- 7.8 Name and address of supplier or agent.
- 7.9 Batch No.
- 7.10 Weight in metric units.