

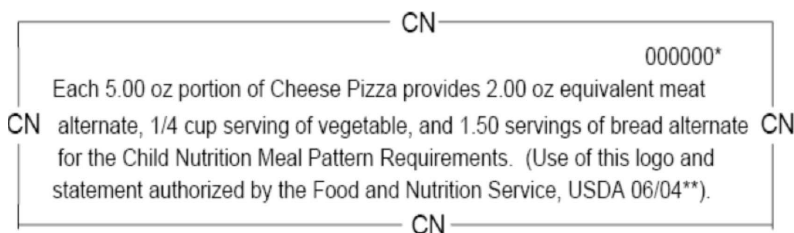
Child Nutrition Labels

What is a CN label?

- A CN label is a product label containing a statement that clearly identifies and verifies the contribution that the product makes toward the child nutrition meal pattern requirements
 - Used especially for convenience foods that are breaded, battered, provide a combination of foods, or contain a mixture of ingredients

What information appears on a CN label?

- The CN logo, which is a distinct border
- The meal pattern contribution statement
- A six-digit product identification number
- USDA-FNS authorization
- The month and year of approval



Options for acceptable CN documentation:

- CN label cut out from the product packaging (showing the CN label, product name and manufacturer)
- Photograph of CN label attached to product packaging
- Photocopy of CN label removed from the product package

Note: Products change frequently and CN labels do expire! Be sure all labels are up to date.



Note the serving size of the item.

Portion size may need to be adjusted to meet the meal pattern requirements for the age of the child being served.



Product Formulation Statements

What is a Product Formulation Statement (PFS) or Product Specification Statement (PSS)?

- A signed statement developed by manufacturers to provide specific information about the product to determine crediting information for the USDA Child Nutrition Programs.
- Like CN labels, they can be used to verify a combination food item's contribution to the required meal pattern.
- When used to determine crediting information for USDA Child Nutrition Programs, it **must**:
 - Indicate how the product credits toward the USDA meal pattern requirements via a crediting statement (see below)
 - Document how the manufacturer obtained the crediting information by citing specific Child Nutrition Program resources or regulations
 - Ex: USDA's *Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs*
 - Be prepared on the manufacturer's letterhead with an original signature of a company official and date of issue

Manufacturer's letterhead



Tyson Product Formulation Statement

Product Name: 4" Whole Grain Pepperoni Stick Code No: 703112-1120
 Manufacturer: Tyson Foods, INC Case/Pack/Count/Portion/Size: / 144 / 1 (1.54 oz.) Piece

I. Meat/Meat Alternate

Please fill out the chart below to determine the creditable amount of Meat/Meat Alternate

	Description of Food Buying Guide	Ounces per Raw Portion of Creditable Ingredient	Multiply	FBG Yield	Creditable Amount *
Cheese	NATURAL OR PROCESS	0.3897058	X	1.00	0.38970580
Other	PEPPERONI	0.1299019	X	0.9276	0.120497
Total					0.51020280

* Creditable Amount - Multiply ounces per raw portion of creditable ingredient by the FBG Yield Information

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased 1.54 oz.
 Total creditable amount of product (per portion) 0.50 oz.

(Reminder: Total creditable amount cannot count for more than the total weight of product.)

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a 1.54 ounce serving of the above product (ready for serving) contains 0.50 ounces of equivalent meat/meat alternate when prepared according to directions.

I further certify that any APP used in the product conforms to the Food and Nutrition Service Regulations (7 CFR Parts 210, 220, 225, 226, Appendix A) as demonstrated by the attached supplier documentation.

Crediting Statement

Karen Shank, MS, RDN

Director-Nutrition

Signature _____ Title _____
 Karen Shank, MS, RDN 12/15/2016 (479) 290-3659
 Printed Name Date Phone Number

Original signature of a company official

Date