A2Z BULGARIA
AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Chickpeas

Cicer arietinum L. | Whole dried chickpeas

Origin	Bulgaria, EU	**Crop**	2026

QUALITY SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter	Specification / acceptance criteria
Appearance	Whole, rounded chickpeas; cream to light beige colour
Taste and smell	Typical, mild, free from foreign odours or taste
Consistency	Firm, dry, free-flowing
Moisture	≤ 14.00%
Purity	≥ 99.90%
Available sizes	**7 mm+, 8 mm+ and 9 mm+**
Field contaminants	≤ 0.10%
Hazardous foreign matter	Stones, glass, metal and plastic: unacceptable
Pests and their residues	Unacceptable
Salmonella	Absent in 25 g
E. coli	< 10 CFU/g
Mould	< 20,000 CFU/g
Yeast	< 20,000 CFU/g
Mycotoxins	Complies with Regulation (EU) 2023/915, as amended
Pesticides	Complies with Regulation (EC) 396/2005, as amended
Heavy metals	Complies with Regulation (EU) 2023/915, as amended

PRODUCT DECLARATIONS AND HANDLING

Allergen	Chickpeas are not an EU Annex II listed allergen. Cross-contact status to be confirmed per batch.
GMO	Does not contain and is not produced from genetically modified ingredients, in accordance with Regulations (EC) 1830/2003 and 1829/2003.
Irradiation	The product has not been subjected to irradiation.
Nanomaterials	Does not contain and was not produced using nanomaterials.
Storage	Store in a cool, dry place below 25°C, away from direct sunlight; relative humidity max. 75%.
Shelf life	Minimum 365 days from production date and minimum 273 days from delivery date.
Packaging	25 kg food-grade PP bags or 1,000 kg big bags

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