

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions have been submitted concerning RFP #250502 - Food Processing: USDA Commodities. All questions received have been answered and are stated verbatim from what was received. Amendment #1 has also been issued for this solicitation.

RESPONDER QUESTION #1: For item 15 would Escambia be willing to accept a no soy item?

Yes, the District will accept a no soy product for item 15.

RESPONDER QUESTION #2: For item 16 would Escambia be willing to accept an item that includes soy?

Yes. However, the District will give preferences to products that do not contain any textured vegetable protein.

RESPONDER QUESTION #3: For item 18 would Escambia be willing to accept an all-beef/no soy item?

Yes, as long as it meets all other requirements specified in the item description.

RESPONDER QUESTION #4: For item 31 can the allowable amount of sodium per serving be increased to 440mg?

No, all products must not exceed 400 mg of sodium per serving.

RESPONDER QUESTION #5: For item 49 can the allowable amount of sodium be increased to 540mg and can the calorie limit also be increased to 400?

No, all products must not exceed 500 mg of sodium and 350 calories per serving.

RESPONDER QUESTION #6: Line item 3: Chicken Drumstick – Can Sodium be increased to 660mg?

The sodium and trans fat limits are fixed and cannot be adjusted. The specifications outlined in the item descriptions reflect the exact requirement.

RESPONDER QUESTION #7: Line item 5: Chicken Filet, Whole Muscle, Small Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 350mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #8: Line item 6: Chicken Breast Filet, Whole Muscle Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 690mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #9: Line item 7: Chicken Breast Filet, Hot and Spicy Whole Muscle Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 530mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #10: Line item 8: Chicken Tenders, Whole Muscle Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 1,050mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #11: Line item 9: Popcorn Chicken Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 540mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #12: Line item 10: Popcorn Chicken Spicy Breaded – Can Sodium be increased to 600mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #13: Line item 14: Beef Mini Burgers – Can the Sodium be increased to 200mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #14: Line item 15: Beef Crumbles – Can the trans-fat be increased to 0.7g?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #15: Line item 20: Sliced Turkey Pepperoni – Can the Sodium be increased to 330mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #16: Line item 26: Turkey Breast Sticks – Can the Sodium be increased to 190mg?

See above answer for Responder Question #6.

RESPONDER QUESTION #17: We were wondering if we can BID our 5" Pizza again for the upcoming BID?

The Tony's 5" WG Pizza was removed due to student preference. Vendors are welcomed to offer their pizza for the upcoming solicitation. Samples will need to be submitted for product approval.