

## **Smoked Wet Brine**

It is highly recommended that you make the number of pounds of bacon this package is intended to produce. You will get a more consistent flavor using all the seasoning at one time.

## To make the entire package at one time:

Use 4 gallons of water and dissolve seasoning and cure in water.

## To make smaller batches:

Use 4 1/2 teaspoons of seasoning and a scant 1/4 teaspoon (1.1g) of cure and 2 1/2 cups of water for each pound of meat.

- 1) Begin with fresh bellies that have been chilled to 42 degrees within 24-30 hours after slaughter.
- 2) In a non-reactive container dissolve seasoning and cure in water.
- 3) Completely submerge bellies in brine solution in a covered container. If needed place weights on the bellies to keep them submerged.
- 4) Refrigerate for 4 days, turning bellies over daily. It is important that the temperature is kept at a constant 38 degrees.
- 5) Rinse bellies with fresh water and dry thoroughly with paper towels.
- 6) Further dry the bellies by elevating them on cooling racks with a fan blowing over them. Allow to dry for 30 minutes each side. This will form a pellicle, a sticky coating on the meat, that will allow smoke to absorb much better. You can also allow bellies to sit in the refrigerator overnight elevated on a cooling rack, without cover.
- 7) Smoke the bacon using your usual smoking procedure.
- 8) Remove bacon from smoker and refrigerate overnight.
- 9) Remove rind if still intact.
- 10) Bacon is ready for slicing. If bacon will not be eaten within 7-10 days it is necessary to freeze the bacon. If you plan on freezing the bacon, it will keep a fresher flavor by freezing unsliced and slicing upon defrosting.

**Seasoning Ingredients:** Salt, Soy Protein Isolate, Brown Suger, Smoke Flavor (Maltodextrin Natural Hickory Smoke Flavor, Silicon Dioxide), Spices, Sodium Erythorbate (1.51%). Allergens: Soy

**Cure Ingredients:** Salt, Sodium Nitrite (6.25%), FD&C Red #3 (For Color) And Less Than 2% Sodium Silico Aluminate Added As A Processing Aid.

## **Nutrition Facts**

Serving Size 3/4 tsp (2g) Servings Per Container 210

Amount Per Se	erving	
Calories 0	Calories from Fat	0
	% Daily Va	lue*
Total Fat 0g		0%
Saturated Fat 0		0%
Trans Fat 0	)	
Cholesterol 0		0%
Sodium 330mg		4%
<b>Total Carbohydrate</b> 0g		
Dietary Fiber 0		0%
Sugars 0		
Protein <1g		1%
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C	0%
Calcium 0%	• Iron 1%	
*Percent Daily Va	llues are based on a 2,00	00

**Refrigerate Finished Product.** Keep Cure Out of Reach of Children. Do Not Use More Cure than Recommended.

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