



## Controlling of Microbial Hazards for Potato Chips Manufacturing through Food Safety Management System (ISO 22000)

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**F**OOD safety is a fundamental public health concern, and achieving a safe supply poses major challenges for organization involved in the food chain, so numbers of foodborne hazards must be properly analyzed, assessed and managed to meet growing and increasingly complex sets of global food chain. Proper implementation of food hygiene principle across the food chain in conjunction with hazards analysis and critical control points system will ensure food safety. In this study, Microbiological hazards were controlled for two fried potato chips production lines, processing & packaging for each line starting from raw materials receiving, storage...etc, where microbiological tests were carried out at all stages of product production on raw materials received, water used in the manufacturing process, microbiological swabs were taken from the equipment and surfaces of the processing and packaging lines as well as the hands of the workers, in short the stages of potato chips production are as follows: Potatoes receiving & storage ==> Washing ==> Peeling ==> Manual sorting ==> slicing ==> washing and remove starch ==> Frying ==> Optical & Manual sorting ==> Seasoning ==> Packaging and print coding ==> Palletizing. Based on actual conditions in the plant a specific Hazard analysis and critical control point (HACCP) model has been developed to ensure safe product, reduce and support the traditional inspection and quality procedure of fried potato chips product through food safety management system (FSMS-ISO 22000), the prerequisite programs (PRPs), operational prerequisite programs (OPRPs), critical control point (CCP), critical limits, preventive, monitoring procedures and corrective actions have been designed in this HACCP plan.

**Keyword:** Food safety management system, ISO 22000, HACCP, Hazard, Critical control point, Critical limit, Prerequisite programs, Operation prerequisite programs.

### Introduction

Fried potato chips (FPCs) are the most commonly consumed snack, especially by children. Potato chips are the most widely accepted snack food. They are not seasonal and consumed by one and all right round the year. The market for potato chips is an assured and growing one. Potato chips processing technology is relatively new field of study, research and business strategy in Egypt.

Currently several business groups are starting to develop the product and expanding their business in this field (Bardic, 2001 and Easdani et al., 2012). Potatoes are the main raw material for the potato chips industry, which is the key to the quality of the consumer. The potato is a starchy, tuberous crop from the perennial nightshade *Solanum tuberosum*. Potato has become a staple food in many parts of the world and an integral part of much of the world's food supply (Abd-

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Elgawad and Youssef, 2008). Potatoes are first selected and diseased and green ones segregated. The potatoes to be processed are washed and peeled in their respective machines. They are then sliced with the thickness ranging from 1 to 1.5 millimeters. Immediately after slicing, they are blanched in a bucket of bisulphite solution for a few seconds. The excess water is removed by spinning the slices in a centrifugal machine. The slices are then fried in medium hot oil at 180 degrees centigrade for 2 minutes to obtain crisp golden-brown chips. The chips are transferred to the spice coating pan where salt and spices are dusted. They are then packed in pouches (Geiger, 2011). The importance of HACCP that is it asystematic approach for identification and assessment of hazards associated with manufacturing, distribution, and use of food products as well as the definition of preventative measures for their control so it saves the business money in the long run, discovering root causes for problems to prevent recurrence of problems again, reducing and support the traditional inspection and quality procedures, it focuse solely on significant hazards that are reasonably likely to result in unacceptable health risk to consumers. Finally, it is a tool and is not designed to be a standalone program to be effective, other tools must include adherence to PRP like good manufacturing practices, sanitation standrds procedures , and a personal hygiene program, etc. (ISO 22000, 2018). Food safety is the utilization of resources and strategies to ensure that foods are properly produced, processed, and distributed so they are safe for consumption. (Codex, 2009; Noble et al., 2009 and ISO 22000, 2018). ISO 22000 is an ideal package for food manufacturers looking to meet international food safety standards. This system meets the requirements of international standard for FSMS.

The objective of this study is to ensure that all products manufactured by the company are safe and fit for consumption acoording to our end customer expects, so in this study HACCP plan was designed for potato chips production through FSMS - ISO 22000 based on actual conditions in the plant to produce safe product, Accordingly this study is specifically designed to develop HACCP plan based on the HACCP principles that can be applied in a potato processing plant toProvide information regarding the system's maintenance requirements and finished product quality impact.

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## **Materials and Methods**

### *Materials*

The present study was carried out at processing and packaging Herms potato chips provided from a plant at Central Delta, Egypt, during the spring season of the year 2018. All chemicals, solvents, media in this study, were purchased from El-Gomhorea Company for chemicals and drugs, Tanta, Egypt.

### *Devices used*

- Water bath (CBM) - Italy (0-120°C).
- Oven (Titanox) - Italy (0 - 210°C).
- Autoclave (Tomy Es -315) - England (0 - 132°C).
- Hot plate with stirrer (UC 152) - Germany (0 - 400°C).
- Incubator – Memmert (IN110) - Germany (0 - 40°C).
- Incubator VELD (FOC 225E) - Italy (3- 50°C).
- Balance (Bp610) Sartorius - Germany (0- 550g).

### *Media used*

- maximum recovery diluent (MRD) – OXOID - United kingdom.
- Plate count agar (PCA) - OXOID - United kingdom.
- Dichioran 18%glycerol agar (DG18) – OXOID - United kingdom.
- Violet red bile lactose agar (V R B L) - Mark - Germany.
- Violet red bile glucose agar (V R B G) - Mark – Germany.
- Manitol egg yolk polymyxin agar (MYP) – Himedia - India.
- Baird parker agar (BP agar) – Himedia - India
- Tryptone-bile-glucuronide agar (TBX) – LAB M - United kingdom.
- Buffered Peptone water solution - LAB M - United kingdom.
- Tetra Thionate Broth (TTB) ) - LAB M - United kingdom.
- Rababort Vassiliadis media(RVS) - LAB M - United kingdom.
- Xylose lysine Deoxycholate agar (XLD), Heakton Entric Agar(HEA) – Himedia - India.
- Egg yolk tellurit, Egg yolk tellurite emulsion, polymix B supplement – Himedia - India.

### *Specification*

Microbiological tests for the potato chips manufactured were estimated according to each microbe, according to the following international standards.

## Methods

### Microbiological analysis

#### Preparation of samples:

Samples were prepared according to (ISO/6887-1/1999), as follows: Samples were taken using sterilized tools. 10g sample were added to 90ml maximum recovery diluent ( $10^{-1}$  dilution), 1ml from previous solution was taken to 9ml maximum recovery ( $10^{-2}$  dilution) and so on to make serial dilution.

#### Total plate count (TPC)

It was determined on plate count agar media as recommended by (ISO 4833/2013). The plates of different dilutions were incubated at  $(30 \pm 1)^\circ\text{C}$ , for  $(72 \pm 3)$  hr.

#### Mold and yeast counts (DG18)

It was determined on Dichloran18%glycerol agar media as recommended by (ISO 21527-2/2009). The plates of different dilutions were incubated at  $(25 \pm 1)^\circ\text{C}$ , for 5-7 days.

#### Coliform group count (V R B L)

Total coliform count was detected on Violet red bile lactose agar media according to (ISO 4832:2006). 1 ml of sample (dilutions) for count or any quantity of dilutions for detection, media added by pour plate method, second layer of media was added after solidification, the plates were then incubated at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 hr.

#### Bacillus cereus (MYP agar)

*Bacillus cereus* count was detected on Manitol egg yolk polymyxin agar media according to (ISO 7932:2004). 1 ml of sample (dilutions) for count or any quantity of dilutions for detection on surface of the media (surface plate method), then incubated at  $30 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 72 hr.

#### Staphylococcus aureus (B P)

*Staphylococcus aureus* was detected on Baird parker agar media according to (ISO 6888-1/2003). 1ml of sample (dilutions) for count or any quantity of dilutions for detection on surface of the media (surface plate method), then plates were then incubated at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 48 hr.

#### Enterobacteriaceae (V R B G)

*Enterobacteriaceae* was detected on Violet red bile glucose agar media according to (ISO 21528-2004). 1 ml of sample (dilutions) for count or any quantity of dilutions for detection, media added by pour plate method, second layer of media was added after solidification, then plates were incubated at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 hr.

#### E. coli (TBGA/TBX)

*E. coli* of samples was detected on Tryptone-bile-glucuronide agar media according to (ISO 16649-2/ 2001). 1 ml of sample (dilutions) for count or any quantity of dilutions for detection, media added by pour plate method then the plates were incubated at  $44 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 hr.

#### Salmonella: (BP, TTB, RVS, XLD, HEA)

*Salmonella* was detected according to (ISO 6579/ 2002). 25g of sample were added to 225 ml Buffered Peptone water solution, incubated at  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 hr, 1 ml of previous added to Tetra Thionate Broth media and 0.1ml to Rababort Vassiliadis media, incubated at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $41.5^\circ\text{C}$  respectively, after that each of previous broth media was added to Xylose lysine Deoxycholate agar, Heakton Entric Agar respectively by sterlised loop and incubated for  $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 hr.

#### Air sampling

Mas 100 device designed to draw air samples from high hygiene zone where the dish containing on solid media is placed inside device and turning on the device to pull 1000 L of air for 10 min on the dish then incubating dishes containing the solid media at suitable temperature for each microbe.

#### Prerequisite programs (PRPs)

##### Factory layout

Barriers had to be designed and established between hygiene zones based on the zoning plan (high, medium and low hygiene zone) to protect products from cross contamination. Barriers types (walls, doors, air curtains and change shoes) as shown in Fig. 1.

##### In coming packaging materials

Packaging film, coupons inserted for promotions were examined. Samples were withdrawn to conduct microbiological tests to ensure their safety based on specific criteria.

##### Cleaning and sanitation requirements

Cleaning was supervised well, operating methods employed, verification actions, persons responsible and records also maintained to verify appropriate cleaning has taken place in each area.

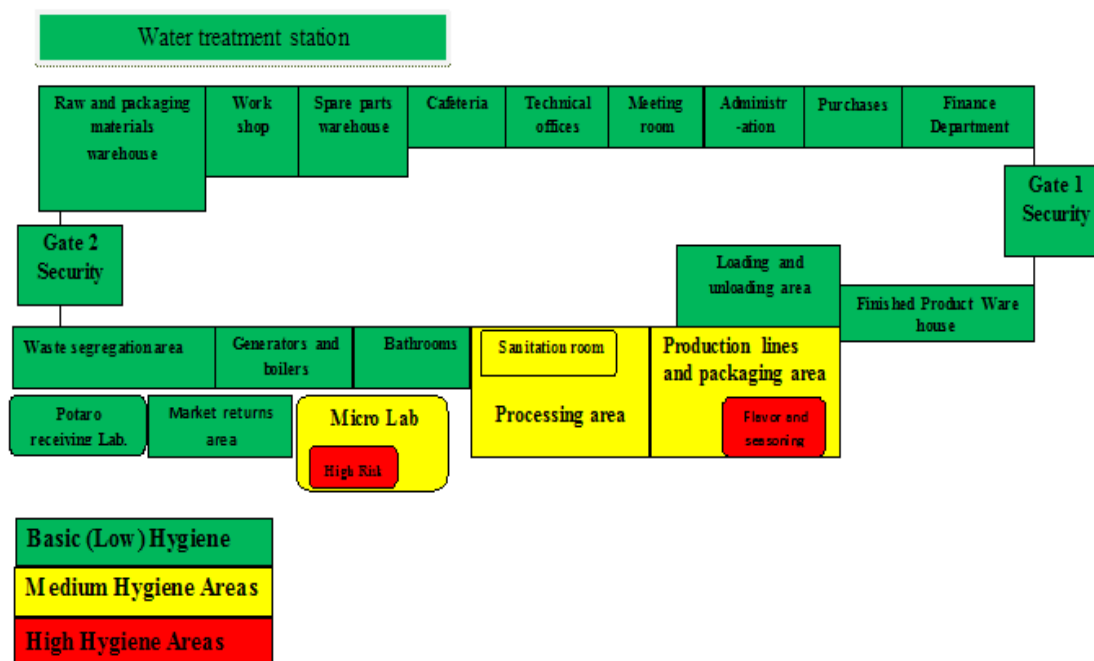


Fig. 1. Factory layout.

#### *Housekeeping*

Cleaning and housekeeping plan has been done covering all the factory layout. 5S is a 5-steps visual and simple method for maintaining the workplace, which is highly recommended to ensure, support good housekeeping and therefore improve the work environment, operation, maintenance and safety. Sort ==> Set in order ==> Shine ==> Standardize ==> Sustain (Hirano, 1995). Frequency of cleaning and monitoring as per factory housekeeping plan (Table 1).

#### *Water quality*

Water analysis included microbiological and physical test to meet all the Egyptian local regulatory requirements, Egyptian standard for drinking water. (E. S 190-1 / 2007).

#### *Personal hygiene policy*

Personal swabs were taken before and after cleaning and disinfection of person's hands to ensure effectiveness of personal hygiene policy for staff.

#### *Training program requirements*

A training business plan was incorporated into the annual operating plan and training programs included, appropriate trainers, verification activities to assess training effectiveness.

## **Result and Discussion**

#### *Prerequisite programs (PRPs)*

Prerequisite program (PRP) is implemented in accordance with Codex general principle of food hygiene and good manufacturing practice to establish basic conditions that are suitable for the production and handling of safe food at all stages of the food chain (SCV, 2006).

#### *Factory Layout*

Seasoning in Packaging area was considered a high hygiene zone where microbiological analysis was conducted by air sampling withdrawn from different locations in the area. The obtained results are shown in Table 2, results revealed that the air after implementing hygienic requirements of the seasoning area (filtered air, implementation of personal hygiene policy, dry clean and disinfection spray were used) was free from any pathogenic bacteria and had a low microbial load of bacteria and mold & yeast counts, but the air of the same area before implementing hygienic requirements has high loads of bacteria, mold and yeast counts. In case of deviation, corrective action must be taken by checking the air filter, maintaining or changing the filter if necessary, training persons and retesting again is required. Our results were in agreement with (Khateb, 2014).

**TABLE 1. Factory cleaning and housekeeping plan.**

Record Name	Accountability	Responsibility	Frequency	Cleaning type	Zoning area hygiene	Layout	Area
X	Security Team						<b>Security Gate 1</b>
X	Administration Affairs		Daily				<b>Factory premises area</b>
X	Finance team						<b>Finance building</b>
X	HR & Admin	Factory Housekeepers	Twice/week	dry, wet			<b>Administration offices</b>
X	HR						<b>Meeting Room</b>
X	Technical Managers				Low hygiene	Outdoor	<b>Technical Offices</b>
X	WH Keeper	WH workers		dry			<b>Spare parts WH</b>
X	canteen staff	canteen staff		dry, wet			<b>FP Warehouse</b>
X	Administration Affairs	Factory Housekeepers	Daily	wet			<b>Cafeteria</b>
X	Maintenance Supervisor	Maintenance Technician		dry, grease-oil removal			<b>Bathrooms and Toilets</b>
X	QA						<b>Generators Area</b>
X	Production Engineer	Production Workers	Twice/week	dry, wet	Middum hygiene	Indoor	<b>Boiler Room</b>
X	WH Keeper General	WH workers	Daily	dry	Low hygiene	Outdoor	<b>Sanitation Room</b>
X	Maintenance Officer	Maintenance Technician	Weekly				<b>Processing Area</b>
X	Production Engineer	Production Operators		dry & spry disinfection	High hygiene	Indoor	<b>Packaging Area</b>
							<b>RM Warehouse</b>
							<b>Work Shop</b>
							<b>Flavor adding &amp; Seasoning</b>
							<b>Chemical Laboratory</b>
							<b>Microbiological Lab (Media Preparation)</b>
X	Lab Team	Quality Technician	Daily	dry, wet controlled, spry disinfection	High hygiene	Outdoor	<b>Microbiological Lab (High Risk Area)</b>
				dry, wet	Low hygiene		<b>Potatoes Receiving Lab</b>

FP: Finished product. WH: Warehouse. Indoor: In production area. Outdoor: Out production area.

#### *Incoming packaging materials*

Table 3 shows that film used in packaging and coupon for promotion samples taken during receiving were within the acceptable microbiological limits and free of pathogens microorganisms. In case of nonconformity, they are returned to the supplier company.

#### *Cleaning and sanitation programs requirements (C & Sp)*

A comprehensive and documented cleaning plan was established, this plan included specific instructions for the cleaning of each piece of equipment, installation, process area, warehouse, etc. to ensure effectiveness of (C & Sp). The microbiological tests of the swabs were taken from different equipment from the processing and packaging lines before and after the implementation of the cleaning and sanitation

programs (C & S). In Table (4), the results shows that total plate count decreased significantly and pathogens microorganisms (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus cereus*, *Enterobacteriaceae*) were not detected after implementing (C & S) programs, but before cleaning and disinfection the results were outside the permissible limits. In case of deviation corrective action should be taken by recleaning, resanitizing again, retraining, awareness of employees and reswabbing and retest again to ensure results within the acceptable limits.

Our results in agreement with (Forsythe and Hayes, 1998 and Khatab Heba, 2014) who reported that standard number of good microbial load of spoilage microorganisms of food contact surfaces ranged between 2-10/cm<sup>2</sup> while the safe microbial load number is less than 1/cm<sup>2</sup>.

**TABLE 2. Microbiological analysis of high hygiene zone before and after implement hygienic requirements (air sampling).**

Microbial count (cfu/plate)					Test time	Seasoning area
<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Mold & yeast	Total plate count		
Nil	Nil	Nil	< 30	< 50	----	Limit
Nil	Nil	Nil	100 <sup>a</sup>	200 <sup>a</sup>	Before	Front
Nil	Nil	Nil	20 <sup>d</sup>	33 <sup>de</sup>	After	
Nil	Nil	Nil	70 <sup>b</sup>	150 <sup>b</sup>	Before	Middle
Nil	Nil	Nil	20 <sup>d</sup>	20 <sup>c</sup>	After	
Nil	Nil	Nil	45 <sup>c</sup>	75 <sup>c</sup>	Before	End
Nil	Nil	Nil	15 <sup>d</sup>	15 <sup>c</sup>	After	

\*cfu/plate = colony forming unit/plate.

\*The limits are according to internal specifications.

\* Values followed by different letter in column are significantly different at p <0.05.

**TABLE 3. Microbiological swabs of received film rolls and coupon promotions.**

Film rolls	Coupon	Limits	Microbiological tests (cfu/swab)*
Nil	20	≤ 1000	Total plate count
Nil	Nil	Nil	Mold & yeast
Nil	Nil	Nil	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Nil	Nil	Nil	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>
Nil	Nil	Nil	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>

\*cfu/swab = colony forming unit/swab. \*1000 cfu/swab = 1 cfu/100Cm<sup>2</sup>

\*Limits are according to American public health association.

*Water quality*

The water potability was tested to comply with the national water quality standard of Egypt. The water used for manufacturing and drinking was free from the pathogen and total plate count at 22 and 37°C within limits as shown in Table 5. Correction and preventive action shall be taken in case of deviation results of analysis out of limits, by changing filters or maintenance of filters, water reservoirs. Our results were in agreement with, (Easdani et al., 2012). Methods according to (ISO 9308-1/2000).

*Personal hygiene*

Table 6 shows that the microbiological tests results of swabs taken before and after implementing personal hygiene from two processing lines (manual sorting) and two packaging lines (seasoning) to ensure the effectiveness, cleaning and disinfection program for workers. The results indicate that high load of Total plate count and pathogenic microbes (*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Enterobacteriaceae*) were detected before cleaning & disinfecting of workers hands. But after implementing effective hand washing program we found all results of swabs taken within the acceptable limit for all workers. corrective action must be taken in case of deviation by retraining persons and reswabbing again.

*Training program requirements*

Each functional department had identified training needs and training for all employees including fixed, temporary and contractors where appropriate to ensure that they have the appropriate level of education, experience and training necessary to effectively perform the required activities specified in the company food safety policy (ISO/TS 22002-1, 2009). Annual food safety training plan has been established, which identified training items as shown in Table 7.

*HACCP plan*

Implementing the food safety management system (FSMS) by the CODEX-12 step logic sequence for the application of HACCP as follows:

*Assembling the HACCP team*

Administrative letter, issued from top management, mentioning responsibilities and

authorities of the food safety team and food safety team leader as an evidence of the top management commitment towards food safety.

*Product description and intended use*

All key physical, chemical, microbiological characteristics of the products manufactured on the process line according to (E.S: 1629, 2017).

*construct flow diagram, and process step*

All processes steps and activities were described in details to explain the purpose of each step in the process.

*Hazard analysis (List hazards, conduct hazard analysis, consider control measures)*

Information about hazards has been Collected and evaluated, hazards analysis and assessment were done for each step of potato chips manufacturing starting from receiving till finished product storage. as shown in Tables 8 -10.

*Determining CCPs and it is critical limits*

Decision tree to determining CCPs for each identified significant hazard (CAC/RCP-4, 2003). To determine the critical limits for each CCP by using supporting documented specifications as well as OPRP if necessary. To differentiate between the control measure classifications either CCP or OPRP for each identified significant hazard using (FSSC 22000, 2019).

*Monitoring, verification of CCP - OPRP, corrective action, documentation and record keeping*

All CCPs, OPRP points identified were monitored and verified (Easdani et al. 2012). hazards description, critical limit, observation-monitoring procedure, responsible person and corrective action in HACCP plan included one point OPRP for fried potato chips plant, which represent a microbiological hazard, which was (frying potato). As shown in Table 11. Records of monitoring were kept to ensure the effectiveness of the HACCP system.

From Table 10 frying step is OPRPs (microbiological hazard) which was assessed according to hazards matrix =likelihood of occurrence (1)\*severity of health effect (A), where (1) mean unlikely occur and (A) mean can cause fatality, so it was considered a significant hazard as shown in Fig. 2.

All OPRP points identified was monitored and verified as shown in Table 11.

**TABLE 4. Microbiological analysis of swabs taken from Equipment of two processing and packaging lines before and after implementation of C & S programs.**

After C & S	Before C & S	Line	Tests & limits	Location
4.7 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	2.2 × 10 <sup>5a</sup>	1	<b>Total plate count (1000 cfu/swab)*</b>	<b>Bucket <sup>(A)</sup></b>
4.3 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	9.1 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	2		
Nil	2.1 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	1	<b>Mold &amp; yeast (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	4 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Nil	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Bacillus cereus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Nil	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Nil	2		
3.5 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	6.6 × 10 <sup>5a</sup>	1	<b>Total plate count (1000cfu/swab)</b>	<b>Drums <sup>(B)</sup></b>
3.8 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	7.8 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	2		
Nil	1.9 × 10 <sup>4a</sup>	1	<b>Mold &amp; yeast (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	2.1 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Bacillus cereus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
Nil	Nil	1	<b><i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
2.9 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	1.2 × 10 <sup>4a</sup>	1	<b>Total plate count (1000cfu/swab)</b>	<b>Vibrators <sup>(C)</sup></b>
5.3 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	3.1 × 10 <sup>4a</sup>	2		
Nil	8.1 × 10 <sup>2a</sup>	1	<b>Mold &amp; yeast (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	3.6 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Nil	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Bacillus cereus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
2.5 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	9.3 × 10 <sup>4a</sup>	1	<b>Total plate count (1000cfu/swab)</b>	<b>Ishida <sup>(D)</sup></b>
3.3 × 10 <sup>2b</sup>	8.9 × 10 <sup>5a</sup>	2		
Nil	2.1 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	1	<b>Mold &amp; yeast (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	1.2 × 10 <sup>3a</sup>	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Bacillus cereus</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Nil	2		
Nil	Detected	1	<b><i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (Nil/swab)</b>	
Nil	Detected	2		

\*The limits are according to American public health association. cfu/swab = colony forming unite/swab. 1000 cfu/swab = 1 cfu/100 Cm<sup>2</sup>.

\*Values followed by different letter in row are significantly different at p < 0.05. \*A, B, C, D comparison of means by location.



TABLE 5. Microbiological and physical analysis of water sample used in the manufacturing process.

Results	Limits	Parameters
		<b><u>Microbiological tests</u></b>
18	□ 50	<b>Total plate count at 37°C (cfu/ml)</b>
25	□ 50	<b>Total plate count at 22°C (cfu/ml)</b>
Nil	Nil	<b>Coliform group (cfu/100ml)</b>
Nil	Nil	<b>E. Coli (cfu/100ml)</b>
Nil	Nil	<b>Enterococcus (cfu/100ml)</b>
		<b><u>Physical properties:</u></b>
Clear	Clear	<b>Color</b>
Not found	Not found	<b>Smell</b>
Acceptable	Acceptable	<b>Taste</b>
Not found	2(N.T.U)	<b>Turbidity</b>
353	-	<b>Electric conductivity</b>
7.0	6.6 - 8.6	<b>pH value</b>

ND: Not detected. (N.T.U) Nephelometric turbidity unit. The limits are according Egyptian standard of drinking water & ice standard test method part -1 (drinking water) (ES: 190-1 / 2007). Methos according to (ISO9308-1/2000).

TABLE 6. Microbiological analysis of swabs taken from workers for two processing lines (manual sorting) and two packaging lines (seasoning) before and after washing and disinfecting the hands.

<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> Nil / swab	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Nil / swab	<i>Bacillus cereus</i> Nil / swab	Mold & yeast Nil / swab	Total plate count 1000cfu/ swab*	Tests & Limits	Worker	Location	
Nil	Detected	Detected	50 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	3 × 10	Before	1	Processing (manual Sorting) <sup>(A)</sup>	
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	9 × 10	After			
Detected	Detected	Nil	64 × 10	9.6 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before			2
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4 × 10	After			
Nil	Detected	Nil	72 × 10	2.8 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before			3
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	5 × 10	After			
Detected	Nil	Detected	50 × 10	9.1 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before	4		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4 × 10	After			
Nil	Detected	Detected	87 × 10	4.2 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	Before	5		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3 × 10	After			
Detected	Detected	Nil	90 × 10	6.2 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	Before	6		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7 × 10	After			
Detected	Detected	Detected	4 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	2.9 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before	1	Packaging (seasoning) <sup>(B)</sup>	
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7 × 10	After			
Detected	Detected	Detected	2.5 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	4.8 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before	2		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1.2 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	After			
Detected	Detected	Detected	8 × 10	8.5 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	Before	3		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	After			
Detected	Nil	Detected	22 × 10	1.7 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	Before	4		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	After			
Nil	Detected	Nil	99 × 10	3.2 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	Before	5		
Nil	Nil	Detected	5 × 10	2.9 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	After			
Detected	Detected	Detected	3.2 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	1.4 × 10 <sup>2</sup>	Before	6		
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	6 × 10	After			

The limits are according to American public health association: 1000 / swab for total plate count Nil / swab for Mold & yeast *Bacillus cereus*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Enterobacteriaceae*.

\*cfu/swab = colony forming unite / swab. 1000 cfu / swab = 1 cfu / 100Cm<sup>2</sup>.

\* Values followed by different letter in column are significantly different at p < 0.05.

\* A, B comparison of means by location.

TABLE 7. Annual food safety training plan.

Training type	Trainer	frequency	Month																																																							
			Jan				Feb				Mar				Apr				May				Jun				Jul				Aug				Sep				Oct				Nov				Dec											
			1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4												
1-Internal																																																										
Food Safety Policy	A	7																																																								
Cleaning and sanitation	B	2																																																								
Maintenance Foundation	C	1																																																								
CCPs and OPRPs	D	2																																																								
Internal audit training	E	2																																																								
Sensory and Quality Wall	F	1																																																								
HACCP Training	G	2																																																								
GMP Awareness pre requisite programs	H	5																																																								
Emergency and Evacuation	I	3																																																								
	J	2																																																								
2- External																																																										
Lead Auditor ISO 22000	Y	1																																																								
High Field Level 4		1																																																								
Legend																																																										

■ Done    ■ In Progress    ■ Not started    ■ A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J: HACCP expert/facilitator    Y: certification body.

TABLE 8. Microbiological hazard identification, description and assessment (raw material receiving).

Location of potential hazard	Hazard description				Hazard assessment			Justification for selection of Hazards and Assessment	
Indicate the step at which the hazard may be introduced.	Describe clearly and specifically the hazards that are "reasonably expected" to occur at each step: Class (Microbial, Physical, Chemical), agent, size, origin, nature, etc.				O1: Based on the hazard description, likelihood of occurrence and severity of health effects			Provide supporting data/references on likelihood of occurrence, information on severity of health effects and acceptable level in end product.	
	Step description	Hazard class	Origin or source of the hazard	Nature of the hazard	Acceptable level in end product	Likelihood of occurrence	Severity of adverse health effect		Significant hazard? (Yes/No)
					Level	Source			Control measures for reducing or prevention of the hazards to the acceptable limits
<b>Potato tubers</b>	brown Mold	Agriculture environment	Presence	total defect including brown mold (fresh potato ≤15% refrigerated potato≤17% )	E.S 17122006	4	E	NO	- Purchasing from approved suppliers - Certificate of analysis provided from the supplier. - Monitoring of agricultural admin to the crops. - Physical receiving and inspection in the factory.
<b>Palm oleic oil</b>	Microbiology	Absence	Absence						
<b>Flavors</b>	Total Plate count	Components and its manufacture from supplier	Ability to grow	≤100000 cfu /gm	Internal specifications as per agreement with supplier	2	D	NO	- Purchasing from approved suppliers. - Certificate of analysis provided from the supplier 3-Microbiological analysis in factory lab.
	Mold & yeast			≤1000 cfu /gm		2	C		
	<i>Coliform</i>			≤10 cfu /gm		2	C		
	<i>E. Coli</i>			Absence /gm		1	B		
	<i>Staph. Aureus</i>			Absence / 25gm		1	B		
	<i>Salmonella</i>			≤1000 cfu /gm		1	B		
<b>Packaging Materials (PM)</b>	Total Plate count	Supplier manufacturing environment and handling- storage	Ability to grow	≤1000 cfu /swab	Internal specifications as per agreement with supplier	2	D		- Purchasing from approved suppliers - Certificate of analysis provided from the supplier
	Mold & yeast			Absence		2	C		
	<i>Staph aureus</i>					1	B		
	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>					1	C		
	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>					1	C		

TABLE 9. Microbiological hazard identification, description and assessment (raw material storage).

Location of potential hazard	Hazard description				Hazard assessment			Justification for selection of hazards and assessment
Step description	Hazard class	Origin or source of the hazard	Nature of the hazard	Acceptable level in end product	Likelihood of occurrence	Severity of adverse health effect	Significant hazard? (Yes/No)	Control measures for reducing or prevention of the hazards to the acceptable limits
				Level	Source			
Potato	Brown mold	bad storage condition	Ability to grow	Absence	E.S 17/12/2006	1	C	Good storage condition monitoring hygienic condition of bins
	Aflatoxins					1	B	
Flavor (Palm oleic oil)	Microbiology	Absence	Absence					
	Total Plate count	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤10000 cfu /gm	Internal specifications as per agreement with supplier	1	D	Following up GMP Rules- good storage practices.
	Mold & yeast			≤1000 cfu /gm		2	C	
	Coliform			≤10 cfu /gm		1	C	
	E. Coli			Absence /gm		1	B	
	Staph aureus			Absence /gm		1	B	
	Salmonella			Absence / 25gm		1	B	
Bacillus cereus	≤1000 cfu /gm			1		C		
Packaging materials (PM)	Total Plate count	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤1000 cfu /swab	American public health association	2	D	
	Mold & yeast			Absence		2	C	

TABLE 10. Microbiological hazard identification, description and assessment (processing).

Location	Hazard description				Hazard assessment			Justification for selection of Hazards and Assessment
Indicate the step at which the hazard may be introduced.	Describe clearly and specifically the hazards that are "reasonably expected" to occur at each step: Class (Microbial, Physical, Chemical), agent, size, origin, nature, etc.	Acceptable level in end product		Likelihood of occurrence	Severity of adverse health effect	Significant hazard? (Yes/No)	Provide supporting data/references on likelihood of occurrence, information on severity of health effects and acceptable level in end product.	
		Nature of the hazard	Level					Source
<b>Washing</b>	Total Plate count	water	Ability to grow	≤50 cfu/ml	ES: 190-1 /2007	2	D	Control measures for reducing or prevention of the hazards to the acceptable limits Microbiological, Chemical, Physical, analysis for water in the factory lab and external lab. Review cleaning plan of the tanks pipes.
	<i>Coliform, Enterococcus</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	Absence	1	C	
<b>Peeling</b>	Microbiological	Absence	Absence	≤1000 cfu /swab	American public health association	4	D	Internal Microbiological programs (microbiology personal swabs).
	Total plate count	Bad GMPs of personals	Ability to grow	Absence	American public health association	1	C	
	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	2	C	
	Yeast & Mold	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	1	B	
<b>Manual sorting</b>	<i>Staph aureus</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	2	C	Internal Microbiological programs (microbiology personal swabs).
	<i>Bacillus cereu</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	2	C	
<b>Slicing</b>	Microbiological	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association			
<b>Blanching</b>	Microbiological	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association			
<b>Frying</b>	Total Plate count	potatoes	Ability to grow	Absence	ES: 1629/2017	1	D	Frying temperature between (175-180)°C. Monitoring of frying temperatures
	<i>Mold, Bacillus</i>	Absence	Absence	500, 10000 cfu/gm	American public health association	1	C	
	<i>E.coli, salmonella</i>	Absence	Absence	Absent/gm, 25gm	American public health association	2	B	
<b>Optical sorting</b>	Microbiological	Absence	Absence	≤1000 cfu /swab	American public health association	3	D	Internal Microbiological programs microbiology personal swabs).
Total plate Count	Bad GMP of personals	Ability to grow	Absence	Absence	American public health association	1	C	
<b>Seasoning</b>	<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	2	C	Following up GMP Rules, good storage practices, monitoring temperature and humidity
	Yeast & Mold	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	1	B	
	<i>Staph aureus</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	1	C	
	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association	1	C	
<b>Packaging, Palletizing</b>	Microbiological	Absence	Absence	Absence	American public health association			
<b>Finished product (FP) Storage</b>	Total Plate count	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤50000 cfu /gm	E.S 1629/2017	2	D	Following up GMP Rules, good storage practices, monitoring temperature and humidity
	Molds & yeasts,	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤500 cfu /gm	E.S 1629/2017	2	C	
	<i>Coliform</i>	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤10 cfu /gm	E.S 1629/2017	2	C	
	<i>Staph aureus</i>	Bad storage	Ability to grow	Absent/gm	E.S 1629/2017	1	B	
	<i>E. Coli, Salmonella</i>	Bad storage	Ability to grow	Absent /gm, 25gm	E.S 1629/2017	1	B	
	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	Bad storage	Ability to grow	≤10000 cfu /gm	E.S 1629/2017	1	C	

## Conclusion

The HACCP system has proven effectiveness in eliminating or minimizing food safety hazards to the acceptable level, provided that PRP programs are implemented through the Food Safety management system ISO 22000 as the HACCP program alone is not sufficient to control all food safety hazards, implementation of FSMS ISO 22000 saves the business money in the long run, where it

- Reduce and support the traditional inspection and quality procedure
- reduce fines and legal costs resulting from prosecution.
- make good reputation of company, increasing sales and profit. So we recommend to apply FSMS ISO 22000 for food establishments to ensure safe product.

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### التحكم في المخاطر الميكروبيولوجية لتصنيع رقائق البطاطس من خلال نظام إدارة سلامة الأغذية (الايزو ٢٢٠٠٠)

تعد سلامة الأغذية أحد المتطلبات الأساسية للصحة العامة. كما أن تحقيق إمدادات آمنة يفرض تحديات كبيرة على المنظمات المشاركة في السلسلة الغذائية. لذا يجب تحليل عدد من المخاطر التي تنتقل عن طريق الأغذية وتقييمها وإدارتها بشكل صحيح لمواجهة مجموعات متزايدة ومتنامية في سلسلة الغذاء العالمية. التنفيذ السليم لمبدأ النظافة الغذائية عبر السلسلة الغذائية بالتزامن مع تحليل المخاطر ونظام نقاط التحكم الحرجة سوف يضمن سلامة الأغذية. في هذه الدراسة، تم التحكم في المخاطر الميكروبيولوجية لخط إنتاج رقائق البطاطس المقلاه خط تجهيز وتعبئة لكل خط يبدأ من استلام المواد الخام وتخزينها ... إلخ. حيث أجريت الاختبارات الميكروبيولوجية على جميع مراحل إنتاج المنتج. على المواد الخام المستلمة. واختبارات على المياه المستخدمة في العملية التصنيعية. وأخذت المسحات الميكروبيولوجية من معدات وأسطح خطوط المعالجة والتعبئة وكذلك مسحات من أيدي العاملين. وباختصار، فإن مراحل إنتاج رقائق البطاطس هي كما يلي:

استلام وتخزين البطاطس الغسيل التقشير الفرز اليدوي التقطيع الغسيل وإزالة النشا القلي الفرز الألي واليدوي التملي التغليف وطباعة الكود الرص على طباقي. استناداً إلى الظروف الفعلية في المصنع. تم تطوير نموذج محدد لنظام تحليل المخاطر ونقاط التحكم الحرجة (HACCP) لضمان منتج آمن وتقليل ودعم إجراءات الفحص والجودة التقليدية لمنتج رقائق البطاطس المقلاه من خلال إدارة سلامة الغذاء FSMS ISO (22000) وبرامج المتطلبات الاشتراطية الأولية (PRPs) وبرامج المتطلبات الاشتراطية الأولية التشغيلية (OPRPs). نقاط التحكم الحرجة (CCP). الحدود الحرجة. الاجراءات الوقائية. إجراءات المراقبة والإجراءات