

Trophy Foods are AA+ and BRC Manufacturer of the Year!

Trophy Foods are delighted to announce that they were recognised as “Manufacturer of the Year” by the BRC at the recent Global Food Safety Conference in Tampa. We are also proud to announce that they have been certified to the BRC Global Standard for Food Safety with an AA+ grade at their Calgary site. They are the first company in North America achieve this prestigious grade.

Gordon Hayburn, Vice President - Food Safety & Quality said *“Trophy Foods are delighted to have achieved the recognition as BRC Manufacturer of the Year from the BRC themselves and to add the BRC top grade of AA+ to our existing portfolio of food safety and quality achievements; Gluten Free, Kosher and Organic Certifications, is a testament to the hard work of everyone in our organization. Food Safety is a core value of our business and this level of achievement reflects our commitment and engagement in recognizing the importance of the high standards we strive for. Having personally been involved with the BRC Standard since 1998, I am proud to be part of this team and am looking forward to the next phase of our journey in making Trophy Foods Inc. one of the leading companies, in terms of food safety and quality, in North America.”*

Trophy Foods has been certified for several years but as part of challenging ourselves to further improve, decided to enter the unannounced audit programme. This is a big step forward for any food company, as whilst there are many companies who are certified to a high standard, these audits are always arranged far in advance and sites are aware of the dates.

Brian Paul, The President of Trophy Foods states *“Going to the unannounced scheme allows us to demonstrate to our customers that we are always operating to the highest standards and we welcome our auditors at any time. This is a company-wide policy and is being applied to all our manufacturing locations. Being awarded Manufacturer of the Year by the standard owner themselves reflects how our hard work and leadership in food safety is being seen within the industry worldwide.”*

About Trophy Foods Inc.

[\(http://www.trophyfoods.com/\)](http://www.trophyfoods.com/): Trophy Foods Inc. is Canadian owned and operated with almost 50 years’ experience in serving our customers. We produce edible nuts, dried fruits, confectionary and bulk foods under Trophy and private label brands for the leading food retailers. In an industry dominated by large multinationals, Trophy has had an impressive track record of growth. Since 1967, we have separated ourselves from the competition by supplying quality product with every purchase. Trophy’s philosophy revolves around Quality, Value, Service and Trust, on which you can always depend. The pillars of quality, innovation and always putting our employees first has fueled us and will continue to be the engine that drives Trophy success.

About the BRC Global Standard for Food Safety

BRC Global Standards is a leading safety and quality certification programme, used by over 22,000 certificated suppliers in 123 countries. Developed by food industry experts, it takes a common sense, risk-based approach. The requirements guarantee the standardisation of quality, safety and operational criteria and ensure that manufacturers fulfil their legal obligations and provide protection for the end consumer.

The unannounced audit option provides sites with the opportunity to demonstrate the maturity of their quality systems and successful sites are awarded the grades of AA+ (the top BRC grade), A+, B+ or C+. The conducting of an independent, unannounced review of the systems and procedures under this scheme provides a company’s customers with added confidence in the company’s ability to consistently maintain standards.

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