

Non-GMO (NGMO) STATEMENT

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When deciding which one of its product offerings to classify as "Non-GMO" or "NGMO", TIC Gums applies the following *internal* definition to either term interchangeably: "A finished product derived from ingredients that is believed to contain no genetically modified organisms and no more than 0.9% material derived from genetically modified organisms resulting from adventitious contamination." This certification relates to the European Commission labeling requirements, as the United States has not adopted any such requirement.

TIC Gums classifies certain products as "Non-GMO" or "NGMO" based on either one of two conditions. For some Non-GMO products, suppliers of raw ingredients to TIC Gums have certified that those ingredients contain no more than 0.9% adventitious contamination of material derived from genetically modified organisms. In other instances, Non-GMO products are classified as such because there are no known commercial sources of the products' raw ingredient constituents derived from genetically modified organisms. This classification includes, but is not limited to:

Acacia	Agar	Alginates
Carrageenan (unstandardized)	Guar	Ester gum
Inulin	Konjac gum	Locust bean gum
Modified gum acacia	Pectin (unstandardized)	Tara gum

TIC Gums recommends that each customer should obtain independent regulatory and legal advice regarding the definition of "Non-GMO" or "NGMO" as required. Each customer is solely responsible for determining the nature and content of any claims that may or should appear on its own products and is also solely responsible for compliance with all pertinent legal requirements worldwide.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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