

The VITAL® Standard

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• LOW IN SUGAR

• SOURCE OF FIBRE

MADE FROM
CERTIFIED
ORGANIC WHEAT

We'd love to hear from you!

Please contact our Customer Relations Team

For product enquiries







Objectives

- Voluntary
- Consumer visibility
- Cost effective
- Internationally recognised
- Robust
- Product specific
- Auditable



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VITAL Scheme

VITAL Scheme consists of the:

1. VITAL Standard

- Part A: Scheme Management
- Part B: The auditable VITAL Standard

2. Certification Body Requirements

 rules and processes to be followed by accredited Certification Bodies (in line with ISO 17065)

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Pre-requisites



The manufacturing site shall:

- Be certified to a GSFI recognised Food Safety Management Standard (FSMS) that includes allergen management; and
- Have documented and implemented a HACCP based Allergen Management Plan (irrespective of requirements of FSMS)



Communication

How will consumers/customers know my product is VITAL Certified?

- Allergen Bureau website directory of certified products
- VITAL Certificate from your CB
- Optional use of VITAL Mark back of pack
- Manufacturer website register of certified products encouraged

INGREDIENTS

Rolled **oats**, glucose syrup, **almond** meal, **peanut** pieces, honey, coconut.

Contains gluten, tree nut, peanut

May be present: wheat







Allergies and Anaphylaxis in Australia

Recommendation 15

4.1.3.1

The Committee recommends that the Allergen Bureau in collaboration with Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ), work with the food industry to encourage the consistent use of the VITAL food allergen risk assessment program, including the introduction of a VITAL 'V' tick on packaging to inform consumers that a product has been through this process

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Walking the allergy tightrope

Addressing the rise of allergies and anaphylaxis in Australia

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Health, Aged Care and Sport

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Applying for certification



- Visit the Allergen Bureau VITAL Standard webpage
 - Download, review and understand the VITAL Standard
 - Be familiar with CB requirements
 - Complete and submit the VITAL Standard Application Form
- Talk to your Certification Body and, where possible:
 - Use same CB as for your FSMS audit
 - Combine VITAL audit with your FSMS audit

 For additional assistance: Contact the Allergen Bureau

The VITAL® Standard

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