Carlos Mendoza

Quality Assurance Associate

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SUMMARY

Quality Assurance Associate with 2 years in food quality and 4 years in food manufacturing overall, checking product, packaging and records on a 3-line almond and dried fruit plant. Runs line checks and lab tests, records results in Excel, leads root cause analysis on product holds, and keeps HACCP and GMP records audit-ready with steady attention to detail.

SKILLS

- **Quality Assurance**
- **Root Cause Analysis**
- **HACCP**
- **GMP**
- **Excel**
- **Word**
- **Outlook**
- **Attention to Detail**
- **Organizational Skills**

EXPERIENCE

Quality Assurance Associate 09/2024 - Present

San Joaquin Harvest Foods Fresno, CA

Almond and dried fruit processor with 3 packing lines and 260 employees.

- Perform hourly line checks on **3** packing lines for weight, seals, labels, metal detection and foreign material.
- Test moisture, color and aflatoxin screens on 25-30 lots per shift and record every result in Excel.
- Document HACCP and GMP checks in daily logs, passing the 2025 and 2026 SQF audits with no major findings.
- Investigate holds with production leads using root cause analysis, cutting repeat label errors from 9 a month to 2.

Production Associate 06/2022 - 08/2024

Valley Pack Co. Selma, CA

Fruit packing house with seasonal and year-round lines; full-time while finishing an associate degree.

- Sorted and packed 8,000+ lbs of fruit per shift while meeting grade and weight specs.
- Pulled hourly samples for the QA team and logged weights on paper checksheets.
- Trained 6 seasonal workers on GMP rules, hairnets, glove changes and allergen controls.
- Flagged a mislabeled pallet run before shipment, keeping 20 cases from going to the wrong customer.

EDUCATION

Associate of Science 05/2024

Fresno City College Fresno, CA

Biology

CERTIFICATES

HACCP Certification

International HACCP Alliance

11/2024

Preventive Controls Qualified Individual (PCQI)

Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance

06/2025