Non-Perishable Food Sorting Guidelines

If there is no date on the product use the Food Sorting Guidelines to check for quality

Discard - damage

► significant rust, rust on body of can
► sharp/fractured dents
► dents on seams or rims, separated metal

Discard - contamination

► bulging cans
► sticky, slimy; unpleasant odor
► signs of infestation (gnawing)
► open/punctured packages with exposed food

Discard - labeling

► missing or illegible label
► no ingredients listed

Additional Inspection  (don't pack in boxes)

► foods in glass (check for broken seals, popped tops)
► foods containing alcohol (need to be labeled before they go in the pantry)
► pet food (put in designated area)
► baby food, formula (check for damage, don't extend dates)
► personal care items, paper products, non-food items (non-food shelf)

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