



Inferior or Dangerous Ingredients in Commercial Pet Food & Treats

Grab your pet's food and let's go down the list together. Here we go:

<u>Ingredient Name:</u>	<u>Dangerous</u>	<u>Inferior</u>
No By-Products or By-Product Meals of any kind	☠	
Meat, Poultry or By Product MEAL * The word MEAL should specify what the protein source IS such as Chicken, Beef, Lamb or Salmon for example	☠	
Bone/Blood Meal	☠	
Ground Corn/Corn Gluten Meal		✓
Wheat/Wheat Gluten/Whey		✓
Soy/Soybean Meal/Soy Flour		✓
Animal/Poultry Fat	☠	
Animal Digest	☠	
Rice Gluten (Glue)		✓
Brewers Rice (the sweepings of the floor of the mills)		✓
Rice Flour		✓
BHT (preservatives)	☠	
BHA (preservatives)	☠	
Ethoxyquin (preservatives)	☠	
Propyl Gallate (preservatives)	☠	
Glandular Meal	☠	
Artificial Colors (Dye #s) & Flavors	☠	
Glyceryl Monostearate (filler)	☠	
Propylene Glycol (filler)	☠	
Phosphoric Acid		✓
Grape Pomace	☠	
MSG (Mono Sodium Glutamate)	☠	
Carcinogen	☠	
Sodium Nitrate/Sodium Nitrite	☠	
Corn Syrup		✓

*Many Veterinarian "prescriptive" and "scientific" diets also contain many of the ingredient items listed above. Contrary to what commercial pet food manufacturers would have pet owners believe, those pet food products should be questioned! As shocking as it may be, PLEASE read the ingredient label and understand how Veterinarian schools are inevitably linked to the commercial pet food industry.

Does Your Pet Food Ingredient Label Resemble any of the Following Examples?

(Source: Truth About Pet Food by Susan Thixton)

Please visit www.TruthAboutPetFood.com for the pet food brands of the ingredient lists below.

Ingredients: Ground Whole Corn, Meat and Bone Meal, Corn Gluten Meal, Chicken By-product Meal, Animal Fat (preserved with BHA/BHT), Natural Poultry Flavor, Wheat Flour, Chicken, Rice, Dried Whole Peas, Wheat Mill Run, Dried Beet Pulp, Wheat Gluten, Salt, Carrot Powder, Potassium Chloride, Vegetable Oil (Source of Linoleic Acid), Caramel Color, Vitamins (Choline Chloride, dl-Alpha Tocopherol Acetate [Source of Vitamin E], L-Ascorbyl-2-Polyphosphate [Source of Vitamin C*], Vitamin A Supplement, Thiamine Mononitrate [Vitamin B1], Biotin, d-Calcium Pantothenate, Riboflavin Supplement [Vitamin B2], Vitamin D3 Supplement, Vitamin B12 Supplement), Minerals (Zinc Sulfate, Copper Sulfate, Potassium Iodide), **Added FD&C and Lake Colors (Yellow 6, Blue 2, Red 40, Yellow 5).**

Red Flag Ingredients: Meat and Bone Meal and Chicken by-product meal and BHA/BHT

US Only Ingredients: No

Natural Preservatives: No

Shelf Life: 1 year

Crude Protein: 26% **Crude Fat:** 10% **Crude Fiber:** 4% **Moisture:** 12%

Notes: The ingredient listings do not read to be all naturally preserved – this is not good. The mineral listings do not read to be chelated or proteinated (for better absorption) which is not good. The ingredient listings do not read to have probiotics – this is not good.

*This ingredient line-up was so awful, it did not rate a score.

Ingredients: Chicken, Ground Whole Grain Corn, Ground Whole Grain Sorghum, Ground Whole Grain Wheat, Chicken By-Product Meal, Soybean Meal, Animal Fat (preserved with mixed tocopherols and citric acid), Corn Gluten Meal, Brewers Rice, Chicken Liver Flavor, Soybean Oil, Dried Egg Product, Flaxseed, Potassium Chloride, Iodized Salt, Calcium Carbonate, Choline Chloride, Vitamin E Supplement, vitamins (L-Ascorbyl-2-Polyphosphate (source of vitamin C), Vitamin E Supplement, Niacin, Thiamine Mononitrate, Vitamin A Supplement, Calcium Pantothenate, Biotin, Vitamin B12 Supplement, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Riboflavin, Folic Acid, Vitamin D3 Supplement), minerals (Ferrous Sulfate, Zinc Oxide, Copper Sulfate, Manganous Oxide, Calcium Iodate, Sodium Selenite), DL-Methionine, preserved with Mixed Tocopherols and Citric Acid, Beta-Carotene, Rosemary Extract.

Red Flag Ingredients: Chicken by-product meal, Animal Fat

US Only Ingredients: No

Natural Preservatives: Yes

Shelf Life: 18 to 20 months

Crude Protein: 21.5% **Crude Fat:** 13% **Crude Fiber:** 3% **Moisture:** 10%

Notes: The mineral listings **do not** read to be chelated or proteinated (for better absorption) which is not good. This food **does not** appear to contain friendly bacteria (benefits the intestinal system and in turn the immune system of the pet) – which is not good.

Ingredients: Chicken, Corn Meal, Ground Whole Grain Sorghum, Chicken By-Product Meal, Chicken Fat (Preserved with mixed Tocopherols, a source of Vitamin E), Natural Chicken Flavor, Dried Beet Pulp, Fish Meal, Potassium Chloride, Dried Egg Product, Brewers Dried Yeast, Salt, Flax Meal, Calcium Carbonate, Sodium Hexametaphosphate, Fish Oil (Preserved with mixed Tocopherols, a source of Vitamin E), Choline Chloride, Minerals (Ferrous Sulfate, Zinc Oxide, Manganese Sulfate, Copper Sulfate, Manganous Oxide, Potassium Iodide, Cobalt Carbonate), Vitamins (Vitamin E Supplement, Ascorbic Acid, Vitamin A Acetate, Calcium Pantothenate, Biotin, Thiamine Mononitrate (Source of Vitamin B1), Vitamin B12 Supplement, Niacin, Riboflavin Supplement (Source of Vitamin B2), Inositol, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride (Source of Vitamin B6), Vitamin D3 Supplement, Folic Acid), DL-Methionine, Rosemary Extract

Red Flag Ingredients: Chicken By-Product Meal

US Only Ingredients: No

Natural Preservatives: Yes

Shelf Life: 18 months

Crude Protein: 26% **Crude Fat:** 15% **Crude Fiber:** 4% **Moisture:** 10%

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Ingredients: Chicken, Corn Meal, Ground Whole Grain Sorghum, Ground Whole Grain Barley, **Chicken By-Product Meal** (Natural source of Chondroitin Sulfate and Glucosamine), Fish meal, Natural Chicken Flavor, Dried Beet Pulp (sugar removed), Chicken Fat (preserved with mixed Tocopherols, a source of Vitamin E), Dried Egg Product, Brewers Dried Yeast, Potassium Chloride, Calcium Carbonate, Salt, Flax Meal, Vitamins (Vitamin E Supplement, Ascorbic Acid, Beta-Carotene, Vitamin A Acetate, Calcium Pantothenate, Biotin, Vitamin B12 Supplement, Thiamine Mononitrate (source of Vitamin B1), Niacin, Riboflavin Supplement (source of Vitamin B2), Inositol, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride (source of Vitamin B6), Vitamin D3 Supplement, Folic Acid), Sodium Hexametaphosphate, Fish Oil (preserved with mixed Tocopherols, a source of Vitamin E), Dicalcium Phosphate, Choline Chloride, Dried Chicken Cartilage (Natural source of Chondroitin Sulfate and Glucosamine), Minerals (Ferrous Sulfate, Zinc Oxide, Manganese Sulfate, Copper Sulfate, Manganous Oxide, Potassium Iodide, Cobalt Carbonate), DL-Methionine, L-Carnitine, Rosemary Extract.

Red Flag Ingredients: Chicken By-Product Meal

US Only Ingredients: No

Natural Preservatives: Yes

Shelf Life: 16 months

Crude Protein: 23% **Crude Fat:** 13% **Crude Fiber:** 5% **Moisture:** 10%

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